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Alumnae Pledge



An Assurance of Loyalty

With understanding of and the belief in the aims and purposes of the Alumnae Association of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, I do solemnly affirm, that I will enter into and aid in its work and that I will endeavor, by my daily life and service, to honor always the profession of which I am a member.

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Announcements

Future Alumnae Meetings

February 20, 1940, St. Luke's Hospital, Main 12, 7:30 P. M. A brief business session which should be of interest to all members, is first in order. Please attend and get acquainted with your officers and fellow members. Miss McNab is ready to take dues (\$6.50) for the coming year. A program is planned and social hour follows.

March Alumnae Meeting

March 19, 1940, the third Tuesday in the month; the meeting will be held at St. Luke's Hospital on Main 12, 7:30 P. M. Please come and bring another member.

A Word of Thanks

Mrs. Selim McArthur wishes to thank the graduate nurses for bringing the attention of their patients to THE HOSPITAL SHOP, open on the first floor of the Michigan Ave. building. The patronage of both graduates and patients is very much appreciated. A welcome is extended to all whether one buys or just goes in to look around.

Biennial Convention—1940

The Biennial Convention of the three National Nursing Organizations, will be held in Philadelphia, Penn., on May 12-18, 1940. Headquarters for the ANA and NLNE will be held at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel where room rates vary from \$3.50 to \$7.00 for double rooms. Headquarters for the NOPHN will be at the Bellvue-Stratford Hotel. Rates are \$2.50 to \$8.00. Make your reservations early.

Names Changed in April Journal

The personnel of officers and committee members will be changed on the covers of the Journal in the April issue.

The Group Hospital, Sickness and

Accident Plan

The group hospital, Sickness and Accident Plan sponsored by the First District is paid directly to the insured. Nurses entitled to their Endowed Hospital room may use the payment of \$4 per day hospital care for 30 days, in addition to the \$30 per month for accident and health benefits for other expenses.

Since this plan was announced, the

Continental Casualty Company has agreed to cover diseases of, or injury to, the generative organs and obstetrics for an additional annual premium of \$5.20 if desired. The annual premium is \$15.60 but to include this special coverage the total would therefore be \$20.80.

Remember this is a twenty-four hour coverage. It is an excellent policy and should be given support by our membership. The plan is available to nurses throughout the state of Illinois and also to nurses in other states. If you are interested do not hesitate to write for information to the 1st District Headquarters, 8 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Room 1520.

A letter and detailed information concerning this policy was mailed to every member in 1st District last May. If you failed to receive yours, please telephone State 8542, 1st District Headquarters.

The American Nurses' Association Recommends

That only graduate registered nurses be employed by any hospital for general or private duty nursing service.

That, in the interest of the patient as well as the nurse, an eight hour day for those employed on a daily basis, and a forty-eight hour week for those on a weekly or monthly schedule, be established whenever possible.

That a minimum of twenty-eight days' vacation with pay be allowed to all members of the nursing staff at the end of a year of service.

That one day vacation with pay for each two weeks of service be granted for those who have been employed for less than a year.

Private Duty Institute

The Institute sponsored by the private duty section of First District, I.S.N.A., has become an annual affair and much anticipated. It will be held this year March 28 and 29, (Thursday and Friday) at Billings Hospital and Mercy Hospital. Watch for further announcements of the programs and dates. The fee for the entire number of sessions is only \$1.00 or single sessions 25c. The dollar ticket may be used by other persons if the purchaser is unable to attend all the meetings.

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EXCERPTS FROM THE PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

A few of the many accomplishments of St. Luke's Alumnae Association will bear enumerating: A total membership of approximately 800, with 59 new members for the year.

Nine regular monthly meetings held; nine board meetings.

The publishing of the Year Book, containing the list of all graduates and the revised by-laws.

Five issues of the Alumnae Journal published and sent to all alumnae members.

Membership in the Central Council for Nursing Education retained.

One scholarship for \$300 given for full time college work.

Educational loans made \$200—Repaid \$275.

One delegate was sent to the State Convention at Peoria, Ill.; one to the League Convention at New Orleans, La.; six tickets to the institute sponsored by the private duty section.

Contributions were made to: Weeks of free care tuberculosis fund, \$300. Magazines to School of Nursing Library; four weeks of 8 hour nursing care was given to one of our staff doctors in appreciation of all the medical staff has done for our nurses and nursing.

The Annual banquet was held at the Congress Hotel, with the 25 year class and graduating class as guests of honor.

89 nurses were given 801 days of care in the Margaret Edith Johnstone Memorial Rooms. Five sick benefits of \$50 each were paid and two loans made. Flowers, cards and letters were sent and visits made to sick nurses by the Relief Committee.

Letters were sent to members of the special committee of the Illinois legislature opposing House Bill No. 126.

The President wishes to thank all those who have helped make the past year a success, and hopes that 1940 will prove a bigger and better year in every way.

The March of Time

1895

Julia Dawson alias "Little D," writes: "I do want to express to those members of the Alumnae Association who compiled the lovely Year Book, my very warmest appreciation of its beauty and value! It is delightful to look over and have, and Miss Sharp agrees with me that grateful thanks and approval is due to those who compiled it. I enjoy so much the delightful magazine and it keeps me in touch with all the activities at dear St. Luke's. With affectionate greetings to all my Alumnae fellow-members."

1899

Adda Eldredge expects to be vacationing at Tarpon Springs, Fla., for several weeks during the late winter leaving the wintry blasts of Chicago far behind her. She will visit at the home of an old friend who lives there.

1903

Lulu B. Averill lost her cousin early in December. They had made their home together for many years.

1905

Salome Dyson entertained at a tea in the Walnut room at Field's January 18th, in honor of Mrs. Wellington (Winifred Osmotherly '06) of Portland, Ore.

1906

Winifred Osmotherly Wellington of Portland, Ore., visited her sister in Evanston, in January.

1907

Margaret Burleson Robeson writes from Tunbridge Wells, England: "The routine of my life has been completely altered since the war and I have so little time to myself. Am involved in local first aid; sixty children were sent to our village and when they arrived it was a business of distributing them. We have been busy knitting comforts for our Services."

1908

Mrs. Wm. Moss, (Elsie Andress) spent the winter at LaJolla, Cal.

1912

A Christmas card to friends in Chicago, stated that Mary J. Horn, of Jersey City, N. J., was well and happy

in her work.

1913

Mildred Morkill Theobald is finding it so pleasant in their new all-year-round house in Wisconsin, that they have not yet moved back to town. They have been snowed in twice, once for three days before the snow plow could get through to them, but they had plenty of fuel and food and rather enjoyed the experience. Dr. Theobald and Pierce, their second year medical student son, go up for week-ends.

1914

Margaret Parkinson Jenkinson and her daughter, Carol, have just returned from a visit to Florida.

1917

Florence B. McClelland was operated for thyroidectomy recently.

1918

A letter from Mary Ming to Madge Boyington, says that she has been busy taking care of her sister who has been quite ill since they went to California, but is much improved. Mary is enjoying California very much and expects to take some cases very soon. She was expecting to entertain Polly Jones Croft, Alberta Beaton Clemmer and Helen Wyatt Haas for tea that day. Mary is located at 2324 So. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Cal.

1919

The Alumnae Association extends sympathy to Nell V. Beeby whose father the Reverend Wm. Henry Beeby, passed away early in December at his home in Oak Park.

1920

Madge Boyington, has returned to Chicago, from Manteno State Hospital after spending three months working with the public health group in the supervision of patients ill with typhoid fever at Manteno, Ill. She is practicing private duty again.

1921

Helen Fisher was a visitor at St. Luke's in January.

1922

Merle Evans visited her sister and family for the Christmas holidays at Marquesan, Wis.

1924

Carrie Woods, Director of Nursing, at City Hospital, Louisville, Ky., is critically ill again. She had been much improved in health and back on duty for a short time. Latest reports say she is again improving.

Virginia Straus is wintering with a patient in Augusta, Ga.

1924

Ethel Zemlika Cole spent several weeks at her home in Merrill, Wis., during January.

Rhoda Wickwire writes from Manistique, Mich., that she expects to have charge of the first aid work at the Winter Frolics, held in Mackinac for three days in February.

Jane Gundry DeCock of Escanaba, Mich., visited with Rhoda for a day this winter. These northerners do get together.

1925

Loraine Ostrom left January 17, 1940 for Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and will spend a few days with Katherine Beck, who makes her home there during the winter. Ossie writes that she is enjoying the southern atmosphere and delightful change from Chicago, but the weather has been unseasonably cold.

Leila Simmons and Isabelle O'Rielly '28, are practicing private duty in Florida for the winter months.

The Alumnae Association extends sympathy to Eda Stensland, whose mother passed away in October.

1927

Doris Thompson McLeod who has been an invalid for some time, would appreciate hearing from any of her classmates or friends. She is also taking magazine subscriptions or renewals as a means of occupying her time. Her address is 906 N. Stevens St., El Paso, Texas.

Victoria Cibrowski is taking a several weeks tour of the south (Mexico), with her brother. They motored down the first of January.

Geneva Faeman of Indianapolis, Ind., spent New Years day as a guest of Miss Groppe at Cook County Hospital. Miss Faeman has a position with the State Welfare Dept. opening up Mental Hygiene Clinics, which requires her to drive hither and yon throughout the state. We take it she gets considerable mileage on her car.

A letter to Miss Lawrie from Nellie Hall, sends Christmas greetings and a Happy New Year to everyone in the Alumnae Association.

1928

Marlea O'Connor is traveling with a patient and expects to spend several months at Palm Springs, Cal.

Louise J. Smith spent several of the cold weeks of January visiting her sister in Georgia, and reports rather colder than usual weather there this year.

1929

Amanda Cain and Gertrude Seipman '31, went to Palm Beach, Fla., early in January, where they are practicing private duty nursing. Miss Seipman has been in California for the past year and Miss Cain working in Chicago. They report business quite good down in Florida.

1930

Florence Klein Peters who was a supervisor in the Out-Patient Department of Children's Memorial Hospital for five years, left there in November, to go to Fond du Lac, Wis., where her husband's business was located. They expect to move to Cheyebogan in February.

Harriet Witmer Stixurud is nursing in Los Angeles, Cal. She resides at 1171 $\frac{3}{4}$ N. Mariposa Ave.

1932

Mrs. Paul Schmitz (Beryl Miller) flew from her home in Scranton, Pa., to visit her parents in Dundee, Ill., for the holidays. She also visited friends in Chicago for a few days.

1933

Adeline Kroncke spent the holidays at the home of her sister in Madison, Wis.

1934

Mrs. James Skorcz (Nina Callahan) was the recipient of the sum of \$50,000 and the Clearwater estate of her former patient, the late Orson Wells. She nursed him for several years before his death.

1935

Evelyn Hahn became Assistant Director of nurses at St. Luke's Hospital, Spokane, Wash., January 1, 1940.

1936

Janet Cozad Eckerle visited Regula Struebing Britton at Moline, Ill., for three days recently.

Roberta Lawsha visited her home at Seneca, Ill., for the holidays.

Augusta Heldt visited her home in Everly, Ia., for Christmas.

1937

Dorothy Armstrong has a position with the People's Gas Co., which she accepted in January.

1938

Naomi Swem spent the Christmas holidays with her sister who lives in Marion, Ohio.

Jane Calef is superintendent of Castelar Creche Nursery, in Los Angeles, Cal.

1939

Muriel Baughman has an industrial position with the Sevell Co. in Evansville, Ind.

Anne Duga who practiced private duty nursing for several months after graduation, had a very fine offer from the state of Iowa to study a public health course while doing school nursing in the public schools of Burlington, Ia., which she accepted and where she has been working since October.



Brownie,

"Say not good night, but in some fairer clime, bid me good morning."

L.R.

Obituaries

1893

MARY RACINE BROWNE, affectionately called "Brownie" by her associates, passed away January 11, 1939 at her home, following a long illness. She was born in St. Louis, Mo., and lived some of her life in Canada. At the time of her entrance to St. Luke's School of Nursing, she was a resident of Chicago. She graduated from the School of Nursing in 1893 and because of her unusual executive ability, was chosen by Dr. Owens to organize the 1893 World's Fair Hospital. During the period of the Fair, she was brought into close contact with the public, the directors and notable visitors. She established for herself and for St. Luke's, friendships which have lasted over long years. One of her outstanding contributions to her alma mater, was the devotion and loyalty she gave to everything concerning the hospital and the School of Nursing.

Her private duty service extended over a long period, during which she won credit for her profession, for her high ideals in the care of the sick, which may well be emulated by the younger generation. Miss Browne had certain fixed convictions of what constituted a good nurse, both in her social and professional life, and to these standards she remained steadfast to the end.

Through her patients who became her personal friends, she was responsible for contributions to the Alumnae Association's "endowed room fund." Her constant attendance at the Alumnae gatherings, was an example of her loyalty and devotion.

Miss Browne had a personal interest in the formation of the Illinois State Nurses Association and was unanimously chosen by her Alumnae to serve on the first board of directors in 1901.

Impressive and beautiful, were the Church, where Miss Browne had been final services at St. Peter's Episcopal a communicant for many years. The membership of her Alumnae Association, will remember her for her faithful devotion to St. Luke's and the School of Nursing.

They Softly Walk

They are not gone who pass
Beyond the clasp of hand,
Out from the strong embrace.
They are but come so close
We need not grope with hands,
Nor look to see, nor try
To catch the sound of feet.
They have put off their shoes
Softly to walk by day
Within our thoughts, to tread
At night our dream-led paths
Of sleep.

They are not lost who find
The sunset gate, the goal
Of all their faithful years.
Not lost are they who reach
The summit of their climb,
The peak above the clouds
And storms. They are not lost
Who find the light of sun
And stars and God.

1908

GRACE V. REAM, born in Galesburg, Ill., February 24, 1878. Passed away November 25, 1939 at Sawtelle, Cal. She was graduated from Galesburg High School and entered training at St. Luke's in October, 1905, graduating in 1908. She took post-graduate work at Bellevue Hospital, N.Y.C. She entered the employment of the City of Los Angeles as a city health nurse. During the war, she served overseas for 18 months and afterwards returned to her position with the city.

Funeral rites were held at the Veterans Hospital Chapel with the Overseas League in charge. She was a member of the American Legion Post No. 8 and the Overseas League. She left her mother and two sisters.

The Alumnae Association extends sympathy to her family.

1925

HELEN WARD JOCHEN, passed away recently at her home Irvington on the Hudson, New York City, leaving a family of four children. The Alumnae Association extends sympathy to her family.

Marriages

1920

The marriage of Marie Christensen to Mr. Carl Mabbs of Evanston, is announced, December 9, 1939. At home 2313 Thayer Ave., Evanston, Ill.

1929

Ruth Margaret Williams was married to Walter Henry Stockig, October 7, 1939 at the First Presbyterian Church, Albany, N. Y.

Elvira Hedlund was married August 18, 1939 to Mr. P. Kinsella, at Davenport, Ia. At home in Chicago.

1930

Florence Klein was married to Mr. William S. Peters, July, 1939. At home in Fond du Lac, Wis.

1931

Annese Pugh was married to Robert R. Hammond, December 20, 1939 in Grace Church Chapel.

1934

The marriage of Julia Ahola to Mr. Narva is announced.

1937

Dorothy Sanders was married to Mr. Myers in July, 1939.

1938

Katherine Emmons was married to Mr. R. Robbel, January 14, 1940 at her home in South Bend, Ind.

1939

Phyllis McCabe was married to Mr. E. R. Hjorth.

Births

1929

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Reid (Clara-belle Hipp) of Boston, Mass., announce the adoption of a baby daughter in November, 1939.

1930

Mr. and Mrs. Redelsheimer (Helen Narva) are parents of a baby boy born December 27, 1939.

1933

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Burg (Evelyn Peckham) announce the birth of a son last April.

1938

Dr. and Mrs. Auten (Dawn Seavers) announce the birth of a baby boy January 22, 1940.

Miscellaneous News Notes

St. Luke's Staff members hold monthly meetings to which private duty nurses are invited. On January 8, 1940 the following demonstrations were given: The Wagensteen Suction apparatus, by Miss VandeSteege; A pneumothrax set-up, with slides and lecture, by Dr. Windham; The Burdick Machine, by Miss Strunk; blood transfusion procedure, by Miss A. Bell; the tracheotomy bedside unit, by Miss Koonz; the Hess incubator-baby Drinker machine, by Miss Henry; individual nursery technique, by Miss Burwell. These various demonstrations proved to be interesting and were preceded by several announcements made by Miss McConnell: That staff members were to have yearly chest plates taken at the cost of \$1.00, and that the Hospital Insurance Plan was again offered if enough nurses signed up for it. All staff members were urged to take it, as well as private duty nurses. The cost is \$9.60 per year.

The Rev. Howard R. Brinker, rector of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church Englewood, was recently consecrated fourth bishop of Nebraska. The service was held at 10:30 A. M. in Trinity Cathedral, Omaha. The Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church, was the consecrator. Headed by the Rev. Harold L. Bowen, rector of St. Mark's, Evanston, and one of the attending presbyters at the consecration, a delegation of more than 100 persons left Chicago for Omaha. Bishop Stewart of the Chicago Diocese preached the consecration sermon.

Rev. Brinker is a brother of Margaret Brinker, class of 1924.

Dr. Louis Schmidt recently celebrated his seventy-first birthday and we understand was kept exceedingly busy opening about 100 birthday cards and almost as many telegrams, from nurses, doctors and friends, who chose that day to show their appreciation for his many kind deeds to them.

It has been customary for some years for St. Luke's Alumnae Associa-

tion to subscribe to a number of periodicals for the use of the training school. A letter of thanks from Miss McConnell follows:

Miss Ethelyn Petersen,
President of St. Luke's Alumnae
Association,
1900 W. Polk St.
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Miss Petersen:

In the name of the School of Nursing and our Faculty, may I take this opportunity to thank the Alumnae Association for its splendid contribution to our library during 1939. The magazines sent us have enriched our cultural reading and our recreational reading. We appreciate more than we can say, your generosity in sending us the subscriptions to the following magazines: Atlantic Monthly, Harper's Bazaar, House and Garden, National Geographic, New Republic, Saturday Evening Post, Survey Graphic, Theatre Arts Monthly, Vogue.

Very sincerely yours,
Madeleine McConnell
Director, School of Nursing
and Nursing Service.

Associate Members Tea

The Alumnae meeting held December 19, 1939, sponsored by the associate members, Mrs. Hoyne, Chairman, was a most enjoyable one. A ten-cent gift for the grab-bag, was the admittance requirement to the lounge on Main 12, which was resplendent with Christmas decorations and a tree. Familiar Christmas carols were sung by the guests and a group of student nurses, accompanied by Miss Margaret McArdle at the piano. And last but not least was the true holiday spirit engendered by Santa Claus (Maud Gooch) offering gifts from the grab-bag. Over coffee cups and delicious sandwiches, many old friends met to renew past friendships and introduce the coming generation of youngsters. The afternoon closed with the bidding of "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" farewells.

January Alumnae Meeting

The annual meeting of the Alumnae Association was held January 16, 1940 at 7:30 P. M. on Main 12. The meeting was called to order by the President, Miss Ethelyn Petersen. Since it is customary for a committee of three to read and approve the minutes of the last annual meeting, the president so noted that it had been done.

The committee chairmen then read their annual reports and same were placed on file with the secretary.

The matter of accrediting of the school was then introduced by Miss Petersen. She discussed the reasons for the need and stated that the cost of the League's Committee on Accrediting would, if borne by the Alumnae Association, be a token of appreciation for Miss McConnell as well as to St. Luke's Hospital. Miss McConnell also discussed briefly the situation of the school: that many things enter into the accrediting of a nursing school and even though it may not be passed, for reasons such as poor housing, the school would benefit by the examination as it would be constructive and helpful in its suggestions for improvement. If St. Luke's Training School was not accredited because of its housing, she felt that pressure might be brought to bear for the correction of that.

It was then voted by the Alumnae Association to pay the necessary fee of \$250 for the Accrediting Committee, since the examination would benefit all nurses of St. Luke's Alumnae Association as well as, future graduates of the school.

The report of the chairman of the tellers was then read and the meeting adjourned to the lounge for a social hour.

Who's Who

Among St. Luke's Nurses

MISS MADGE BOYINGTON, graduate of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, 1920. A graduate of State Teacher's College at Stevens Point, Wis., with several years teaching experience in Wisconsin public schools before entering training. Has been

head of the Educational Department of St. Luke's School of Nursing; a member of the Alumnae board; Chairman of the private duty Forum of St. Luke's Alumnae Association; is now Chairman of the Blue Cross Guild. Miss Boyington has been an outstanding private duty nurse, practicing in Illinois, Wisconsin, New York and California. She has also held various positions in supervising, the latest of which was supervising the nursing care of the typhoid patients during the recent epidemic of typhoid fever at Manteno State Hospital, Manteno, Ill.

MISS RHODA WICKWIRE, graduate of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, 1924. Before entering training, she spent one year at Lawrence College, Appleton, Wis. Since graduating from St. Luke's, she has continued practicing private duty nursing for the most part of each year. In 1930, she accepted a summer position at the Beaumont Emergency Hospital, at Mackinac Island, Michigan and has returned there every year, finding the work most interesting. She is entirely responsible for the care of the hospital, as well as patients. There is a resident physician on the Island who takes care of most of the surgical and medical treatment of the patients. Miss Wickwire is at present pioneering in her home town, Manistique, Mich., where she is trying to prove that a private duty nurse can earn her living away from the Metropolitan areas. To date she has been very busy, but finds that there are lulls in work there, just as anywhere else.

Miss Wickwire has been active in organization work in First District, I.S.N.A. From 1935-1939, she was chairman of the private duty section of the First District I.S.N.A.; during the same years she was a member of the Board of Directors of First District, I.S.N.A.; and from 1937-1939, a member of the Board of Directors of the Illinois State Nurse's Association. During her chairmanship of the private duty section, the Private Duty Institutes were inaugurated, and she was of invaluable assistance to Miss Bollinger in the planning and success of them.

From the Editor

Two years have passed since this chairman took over her duties as editor of the Alumnae Journal—and she is still with you—as you may note by election returns. So—are you ready for another fireside chat direct from station M.F.E.? Subject: “Nurses Do Grow Old.”

Do we nurses not forget sometimes as the busy years roll by, that there will come a time when physically as well as mentally, we cannot keep the pace? That somewhere along the road we must face the test and ask ourselves: “What are we to do now?” Perhaps some have been thrifty and by good fortune, saved or made provision sufficient to care for them in the years when work no longer has the same allure; and one would like so much to just rest for awhile from the mad scramble and necessity of earning a living.

Again we reiterate (we spoke of this in an earlier editorial), something must be done to provide for nurses who are no longer eligible for active duty, but who through dire necessity must earn a living. Much discussion has taken place among the younger group of nurses, who perhaps realize that it is up to them to make provision while they still have an earning capacity.

This group has faced an economic depression for years and seen what it can do to even the best of plans. But they say: “Why wait until we no longer have ability to work.” Even though a nurse may marry and have a family, she has no assurance that she will be cared for in her old age. Her husband may die; her children grow up and have their own families to care for; illness may take its toll.

In this age of group thinking, are we not, as members of a large organization, going to be able to plan for

some future insurance? Let us be thinking seriously about it and when suggestions are asked for, be ready!

THE ILLINOIS LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION

Guests of St. Luke's Hospital

The Illinois League of Nursing Education held its December meeting at St. Luke's Hospital on Friday, the 1st, 1939. A short business session was held and the introduction of new officers was made by the President, Miss Dorothy Rogers.

The speaker of the evening, Dr. Paul Hollinger, was then introduced by Miss Rogers. Dr. Hollinger is a member of the St. Luke's Hospital staff, of Illinois Research and Educational Hospital and Children's Memorial staffs. His subject, the “Organization and Requirements for Opening a Bronchoscopic Clinic,” gave his listeners a very definite idea of the great value of such work. Dr. Hollinger's enumeration of the variation in size and type of instruments needed in opening a clinic; the different accidents and diseases which are aided by the bronchoscopic apparatus, show how invaluable is the work now being done and the aid that is given in diagnosis of chest conditions. He remarked that clinics should now be called bronchology (the study of), as well as bronchoscopic clinics.

Dr. Hollinger emphasized repeatedly the necessity for well trained nurses to assist the doctor. Because of the rapidity with which the doctor needs to work, and so that he may not have to take his eyes from the small field of vision, it is essential that the nurse be absolutely sure of every step to be taken. Following his talk, slides were shown and then a colored film of moving pictures, which demonstrated the procedures and instruments used in operations. The appearance of a uvula and the vocal cords in action was most fascinating and made one realize the delicacy with which they must be handled. Following this, groups of twenty nurses were escorted through the clinic department on Main 10, where they could observe and ask questions on instruments etc.

Coffee was served in the lounge and a short social hour enjoyed by the guests.

ANNUAL MEETING OF FIRST DISTRICT I.S.N.A.

Wednesday afternoon, December 13, 1939 marked the close of another annual meeting of First District; Miss Mary I. Bogardus, President of the district, presided.

Reports of officers, chairmen of standing and special committees, and of alumnae associations were read. Outstanding, was the number of alumnae associations reporting—34 out of 56—and a wealth of information gained as to the ability of associations to meet the present situations, which most of them are facing.

The majority of associations must obtain their funds used for scholarships, sick nurse benefits etc. by giving card parties, benefits, raffles and other ways, rather than from their dues. Several associations pay a small fee to their officers; some waive dues. A number have adopted insurance plans or endowments for sick nurses.

Aims for the coming year: 1—An institute for officers of alumnae associations on organization work. Miss Bogardus stated, she felt this would enable more nurses to understand committee and chairmanship work, making them less reluctant in undertaking such duties. 2—Consideration of alumnae associations choosing the same night of the month for their meetings. This would facilitate the work of program committees when preparing for section, district, and annual meetings, making it possible for more people to attend them.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 P. M.

ANNUAL DINNER MEETING OF FIRST DISTRICT, ISNA

As has been the custom for the past several years, a dinner meeting following that of the afternoon business marks farewell to the old year. The Crystal Ball Room of the Blackstone Hotel was chosen and a well-planned program enjoyed. Miss Mary I. Bogardus again presided at the speaker's table and membership awards were presented by Miss Clara I. Bollinger, chairman of the membership committee.

Awards of \$25 each were made to following alumnae associations for their gain in membership during the

year: Women and Children's Alumnae; St. Anthony de Padua Alumnae; St. Bernard's Alumnae.

"1939 in Retrospect"

Printed pamphlets, containing the outstanding accomplishments of each officer and of committees, were found at each person's place along with small gold medals inscribed with "First District Illinois State Nurses Association" in blue and gold; a mold of Florence Nightingale Lamp in the center.

Miss Maeve MacMurrough, Irish Player and Portraiteuse, furnished an hour of fun and merriment by her character sketches and clever portrayals of people.

The meeting was completed with the reading of the teller's report by Miss Bollinger, Chairman.

NEWS FROM PRIVATE DUTY FRONT

Miss Eve Morkill, Vice-Chairman of the private duty section of the I.S.N.A., reports on the Council Meeting (the business section of the Private duty section of the state), which was held January 28, 1940 at Campaign, Ill. She says: "I went in place of the Chairman, Mrs. Doris Perrin, who could not attend. Miss Edith Bergquist, Executive Secretary of the state, and Miss Dorothy Carlson, Chairman of the private duty section of First District, attended from Chicago. There were nine members of the council present and a most interesting round table discussion was held, lasting from 10 A. M. to 3.30 P.M. with a short recess for luncheon. We discussed plans for a regional meeting to be held either on March 28, or 29, in conjunction with the private duty Institute and two more regional meetings; one on April 27, at either Alton, or East St. Louis and one at Bloomington.

Names were suggested for the following committees: program, nominating, revision, to be given to Mrs. Perrin for appointment. We also discussed the possibility of obtaining some sort of social security plan for aged nurses; also setting an age limit of 65, after which time nurses might not be taken into the private duty section. Names for a committee to in-

investigate the insurance plan similar to the hospital insurance plan which might supply special nursing care for the insured, were sent to Mrs. Perrin. This plan, if completed would supply more work for private duty nurses and we felt too, that any such plan should come to the knowledge of our group so that we might have a hand in the arrangements.

We spoke of the growing danger of nurses unions and the attention was drawn to recent articles showing that a nurses union in both the C.I.O and the A.F.L. was an accomplished fact; and it is rumored that there are 3500 union members in New York City alone. They also have headquarters in Illinois and many other states.

We also discussed the dangers of licensing practical nurses which has already been done in New York State. We hope to have more information on this problem before the next regional meeting.

Miss Bergquist gave a most interesting talk on the problems of the private duty nurse. She said that 8 hour duty is spreading slowly through the state. Ninth district has passed it 100% and it is to be started February 1, 1940.

I think it might be a good thing for some of our own private duty nurses at St. Luke's to know that two private duty nurses from Rockford, one the secretary of the state private duty section Miss Spriehir, and the other Mrs. Eva Reed, Chairman of the 3rd district, were on duty Friday from 7 to 3. They sat up nearly all night Friday on a day coach, arriving at Champaign at 2 A.M. Attended meetings all day Saturday and traveled back to Rockford Saturday night getting home at 2 A.M. and reported back on their cases Sunday! All this done gratuitously in the sole interest of our private duty group. I met some splendid women working down in the state for our section and altogether it was a most inspiring occasion. Miss Bollinger was unable to be present on account of illness, but Miss Bergquist was most helpful and shows a vast knowledge of interest and sympathy in our particular problems."

ANNUAL MEETING OF PRIVATE DUTY SECTION

The annual meeting of the private duty section of First District I.S.N.A. was held at headquarters November 28, 1939 at 8:00 p.m. In the absence of the chairman, Miss Rhoda Wickwire, the first vice-president, Miss Dorothy Carlson, presided. After the minutes of the last annual meeting were read, a most interesting round-table discussion of the state convention, was given. The five nurses who attended as delegates of the section proved that even the most commonplace reports can become interesting by proper presentation.

A paper by Miss Clara Bollinger, private duty representative of First District, offered much food for thought. A few of her aims and desires for the future of private duty were: A study of ways in which more work might be found for nurses and the promoting of an educational program to fit into the lives of private duty nurses.

Miss Edith Bergquist, Executive Secretary of the state, was asked to speak in place of Miss McDonough, National Private Duty Chairman, whose recent illness made it impossible for her to attend. Miss Bergquist gave an inspirational talk on the International Foundation of Florence Nightingale and the Council, which she visited two years ago. Following this, she showed moving pictures of many places of interest taken on her trip.

The meeting adjourned with the feeling of those who were there, that they would have missed a great deal had they not come.

From the December I.S.N.A. Bulletin:

Supply and Demand. We have too many private duty nurses in Chicago, due in part to out of town nurses crowding into a big city.

The Peoria District reports a shortage of general duty nurses.

The Decatur District reports a shortage of both general duty and private duty nurses.

Rockford says that they do not have an oversupply of private duty nurses.

Quincy reports that their demand often is greater than their supply.

One district reports that for a position open in public health, in one county, there was no nurse in the county qualified for public health work.



Slogan for 1940 EVERY ST. LUKE'S GRADUATE A BLUE CROSS MEMBER.

During the year 1939, nine nurses were given nursing service, amounting to \$540.10. March 15, 1940 is the end of the year and it is hoped that all old members and many new members will have sent in their penny a day. Is that too much to ask of anyone, \$3.65? Many have given much more than that but it was felt that for a year of two, giving money was easier than the terrific amount of work a bazaar entails. So, if you send your donation, send it to Maud Gooch, St. Luke's Hospital, who is treasurer.

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ANNUAL REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES OF ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY—Minutes kept of all meetings held; letters written as instructed by the board; vouchers covering all bills and money paid by the treasurer. Chairmen and members of committees notified of their election or appointment; notices sent out for four regular meetings.

"It has been my privilege to serve as secretary of your association for five years and I wish to thank those who have made it a pleasant and profitable experience. — Respectfully submitted—Clara I. Bollinger.

MEMBERSHIP—59 new members in 1939—total 800—Bea Boies

RELIEF—89 nurses cared for in the endowed rooms—total of 801 days—cost to the hospital for maintenance of rooms \$7256.40—money paid by the Alumnae Assn. for outside rooms, including two X-rays—\$327.28—income for overtime in rooms—\$225.—loss of \$102—sick benefits paid to six nurses \$300—two loans—\$100 and \$50. A few gifts of money received from members using the rooms—the Blue Cross Guild which does such wonderful work has placed many nurses on duty with seriously ill nurses "I wish to thank Miss Gooch for her great help with the endowed rooms and sick nurses, also my committee. Let each member of the Alumnae do her bit for the Blue Cross Guild, for who knows, they may be the next one to use the Blue Cross nurses."—Jessie Lawrie.

PRIVATE DUTY COMMITTEE — the Private Duty Committee of the Forum held four meetings, with discussion of the following matters: rules and regulations; food problems of the 3 to 11 shift nurses; discussion of a new key system for lockers; nominations for election of officers and a letter concerning rules and regulations of the registry to be sent to the registry and headquarters committee of First District.—a meeting of the Forum January 16, 1940—decision made to hold meetings once a month with taking of roll call.—Adeline Kroncke

PROGRAM COMMITTEE — Seven regular meetings held—Red Cross Committee conducted the November meeting and the Associate Members sponsored the afternoon tea in December—the annual dinner meeting was held in May at the Congress Hotel.—guests of honor were members of the graduating class and class of 1914.—Irene Smith.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE — Ticket as presented—1st Vice-president: Madeleine McConnell, Irene Stolp; secretary: Marian Keck, Mrs. Anne Laird; Publicity and Press; Mary Everett, Dorothy Adams; Membership: Elsa Rudolph, Ada Blumer. 750 ballots sent out—317 ballots re-

turned. The following were elected: Madeleine McConnell, Marian Keck (resigned directly after election), Mary Everett, Elsa Rudolph.

PUBLICATION AND PRESS COMMITTEE—Five issues of the Journal with 800 copies in each issue—more interest being shown by members in sending news items — Mrs. Meldgard's cooperation in addressing the Journals appreciated — assistance to the Year Book Committee in the compiling and publishing of the Year Book — "I wish to thank all who have served on my committee, and all others who have sent news items and articles of interest and will hope for

continued support for the future Journal Chairman—Mary Everett.

AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING COMMITTEE—37 subscriptions obtained—committee wishes to thank all who have subscribed and hope the circulation will continue to grow — Marguerite Kilgas.

EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE — total amount loaned 1932-1939, \$4345 —amount set aside for loans, \$2000—amount available because of repayment, \$2345—number of members to whom loans were made, 31 — May Collins.

Treasurer's Report

ARTHUR YOUNG & COMPANY

Accountants and Auditors
1 North La Salle Street
Chicago

January 5, 1940

Alumnae Association of
St. Luke's Hospital
School of Nursing,
Chicago.

Dear Mesdames,

We have audited the books kept by the Treasurer of the Association for the year ended December 31, 1939 and have prepared and submit herewith statements of cash receipts and disbursements as shown by the Treasurer's books.

We also submit a list of securities which were confirmed by us and are held by the Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago, as custodian for your Association. Changes in the securities during the year were as follows:

5% liquidating dividend received on the Mortgage and Real Estate Corporation Series "A" liquidation notes, amounting to \$100.

Two liquidating dividends received on the 30 shares capital no par value stock of the Cleveland Realty Corporation, amounting to \$390.

Cash was reconciled with the monthly bank statements and pass books of the savings accounts.

The total assets of the Association excepting amounts due from members on loans which are not recorded by the Treasurer and accrued interest on deposits not recorded in pass books are as follows:

CASH IN BANKS:

Treasurer's account—

Evanston Trust and Savings Bank	\$ 176.82
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Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago...	478.12
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	\$ 654.94
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Savings accounts—

Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago...	\$16,813.81
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Evanston Trust and Savings Bank.....	542.75
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	17,356.56
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Securities at par value...	6,250.00
Securities of endowed room at par value	4,470.55
	<u>\$28,732.05</u>

Income from investments is shown in the cash receipts and disbursements statement of the savings account which is included in this report.

Yours faithfully,

Arthur Young & Co.

**Statement of Cash Receipts and
Disbursements for the Year Ended
December 31, 1939**

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

Balance, December 31, 1938..\$1,180.93

— Receipts —

Dues and reinstatements..\$	3,220.36
Banquet return	13.25
Interest on loans	10.00
Repayment of loans	325.00
Repairing thermos	4.00
Transferred from savings account	712.72
	<u>4,285.33</u>
	\$5,466.26

— Disbursements —

Dues — First District Illi- nois State Nurses Ass'n..\$	1,734.60
Flowers, etc.	64.58
Refreshment and enter- tainment	65.27
Printing and stationery..	497.51
Postage and telephone...	176.82
Exchange on checks.....	.85
Sick benefits	250.00
Hospital service	534.51
Educational loans	200.00
Scholarship	300.00
Week of free care fund..	300.00
Loans—	
December Journal	63.00
Balance on Yearbook ...	137.08
Banquet	247.82
Auditing	15.00
Expense endowment room	9.65
Stenographic services ..	18.45

Delegate to National Convention	50.00
Central Council Nursing Education Membership.	25.00
Repairs to chairs	5.00
Miscellaneous	16.18
	<u>4,811.32</u>

Balance, Dec. 31, 1939... \$ 654.94

The above balance is made
up as follows—

On deposit at the Evans- ton Trust and Savings Bank	\$ 176.82
On deposit at the Contin- ental Illinois National Bank & Trust Company	478.12
	<u>\$ 654.94</u>

**Statement of Cash Receipts and
Disbursements for the Year Ended
December 31, 1939**

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Balance, Dec. 31, 1938.....\$15,534.25

— Receipts —

Pledges to endowed rooms fund	\$ 1,488.70
Interest on bank deposits	212.86
Income from investments—	
Chicago City Railways.	\$42.50
Commonwealth of Australia	50.00
Canadian National Railway	50.00
Kentucky Utilities Company	50.00
Libby, McNeill and Libby	50.00
Mortgage and Real Estate Corporation "A" Liquidation note..	60.00
New York Central Railroad	50.00
Pick and Co., Albert ...	1.00
	<u>353.50</u>

Mortgage and Real Estate
Corporation—
Series "A" Liquidation
notes, \$2,000 par value,

5% on principal (30% paid to date)	100.00
Cleveland Realty Corp., 30 shares capital no par stock, liquidating dividends	390.00
	<u>2,545.06</u>
	\$18,079.31
— Disbursements —	
Custodian charges	\$ 9.98
Exchange on checks	.05
Transferred to Treasurer's account	712.72
	<u>722.75</u>
Balance, Dec. 31, 1939 ...	\$17,356.65

The above balance is made up as follows:

On deposit at Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Co. of Chicago Savings account #195964	\$16,813.81
On deposit at Evanston Trust and Savings Bank Savings account #30806	542.75
	<u>\$17,356.56</u>

Securities Held by Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago

December 31, 1939

	Par value
Mortgage and Real Estate Corporation, cumulative income notes, 5%, dated January 1, 1936, due January 1, 1953, \$2,000 par, less 30% paid on principal (received in exchange for Chicago Title and Trust Company mortgage bonds)	\$1,400.00
Commonwealth of Australia, external loan, gold bond, 5%, dated September 1, 1927, due September 1, 1957	1,000.00
Chicago City Railway Company, first mortgage gold bond, certificate of deposit,	

5%, dated July 1, 1907, due February 1, 1927, 15% paid.	850.00
Kentucky Utilities Company, first mortgage gold bond, Series "I," 5%, dated February 1, 1929, due February 1, 1969	1,000.00
Libby, McNeill and Libby, first mortgage, 15 year gold bond, Series "I," 5%, dated February 1, 1929, due February 1, 1969	1,000.00
New York Central Railroad Company, refunding and improvement mortgage, Series "C," 5%, dated October 21, 1921, due October 21, 2013	1,000.00
	<u>\$6,250.00</u>

Securities Held by Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago

December 31, 1939

Held for Account of Endowed Room

	Par value
Albert Pick Corporation, 2-11/100 shares of cumulative preferred stock, par value \$5 per share	\$ 10.55
Cleveland Realty Corporation, 30 shares of capital stock, no par value received in exchange for Foreman Trust and Savings Bank, as trustee, first mortgage participating	\$3,000.00
LESS: Liquidating dividends, 1938-1939—\$540..	540.00
	<u>2,460.00</u>
Canadian National Railway Company, guaranteed gold bonds, 5%, dated October 1, 1929, due October 1, 1969..	1,000.00
New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, secured gold bond, 6%, dated April 1, 1925, due April 1, 1940	1,000.00
	<u>\$4,470.55</u>

Personnel of Committees

for 1939

STANDING COMMITTEES—Chairmen Elected

The President is Ex-Officio Member of all Committees

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Babette Jennings, Chairman
Rita Castle Ashton
Myrtle Peterkin
Helen McNab

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Irene Smith, Chairman
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RELIEF COMMITTEE

Jessie Lawrie, Chairman
Clara Gemuenden
Lena Jacobs
Louise Graff

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Rhoda Wickwire
Maurene Becker
Eve Morkill
Clara Ruden
Doris Means

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Avis VanLew

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Virginia Mestjian

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Audrey Harrington, Chairman
Olga Refsness
Leonora Dunne

YEAR BOOK COMMITTEE

Marguerite Kilgas, Chairman
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Mable Madden, Chairman
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The Alumnae



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Alumnae Pledge



An Assurance of Loyalty

With understanding of and the belief in the aims and purposes of the Alumnae Association of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, I do solemnly affirm, that I will enter into and aid in its work and that I will endeavor, by my daily life and service, to honor always the profession of which I am a member.

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Announcements

April Meeting

The April Alumnae meeting will be the 16th at 7:30 P.M. on Main 12, St. Luke's Hospital. This will be the last regular meeting until September. The program which has been planned is as follows: Dr. John C. Mergerner, a former St. Luke's intern, now a Resident Psychiatrist at the Illinois Psychiatric Institute, university of Illinois, will give a lecture "The Place of the Association of Former Patients in the Field of Psychiatric Work." Movies, taken at Illinois Research and Educational Hospital for teaching purposes, will be shown on the Metrazol Therapy.

May Meeting

The annual alumnae dinner will take the place of the regular meeting in May. The date of the dinner will be Saturday May 25, 1940 and will be held in the crystal ballroom of the Blackstone Hotel. Make your reservations as early as possible with Miss Irene Smith, 2202 Sherman Ave., Evanston.

Commencement

Commencement will be held Friday, May 24, 1940 at St. James Shurch.

Please

Do NOT add "Treasurer" to Miss McNab's mail. It advertises money in the envelope. Also DO NOT send your dues in cash! You are placing a heavy responsibility on Miss McNab and considerable money has gone astray this year. If you do not hear from her within a week of mailing your dues, notify her at once. Beginning with the April issue of the Journal, only members who's dues are paid will receive the Journal.

Biennial Convention

The 1940 Biennial Convention will be held in Philadelphia, May 12-18. The TRAIL BLAZER, de luxe all-coach train of the Pennsylvania Railroad, has been selected by the committee as the official train for members who will attend the meeting. There is a special coach fare for groups: \$24.55 for special party rate for round trip between Chicago and Philadelphia. Pullman rates are also reduced. Reservations for the special coach train should be made with Miss Edith Bergquist, Ex. Sec'y. Illinois State Nurses Association, 8 S. Michigan Ave. accompanied by \$5.00, final payment to be made May 5, 1940. A post-convention tour is also planned.

INSTITUTE FOR NURSING EXECUTIVES

An institute for administrators, teachers, and supervisors in nursing will be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, June 20, 21, 22 in Judson Court, 1005 E. 60th St., Chicago under the auspices of the department of nursing education of the university of Chicago. Registrations may be made with Miss Nellie X. Hawkinson of the department of nursing education. The fee will be \$3.00. Registrations will be limited, and reservations will be accepted in the order of application. The requirements for admission to the department of nursing education will not apply to registrants for the institute. Room and board will be provided in Judson Court for \$8.50. Reservations may be made through William J. Mather, bursar of the university.

Red Cross Enrollment

The aim of the American Red Cross Nursing service is to increase the first reserve by 10,000 nurses, which means that in Illinois approximately 700 nurses are needed this year to reach the minimum quota because of withdrawals due to age, marriage, or physical disability. It is hoped that new graduates will realize the importance of enrollment and make themselves available for the work of the Red Cross.

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MOTHER'S DAY GREETINGS

May we extend greetings to all St. Luke's nurses who are mothers. You are the important members of society, even though to you, your lives may seem to be a routine job of housekeeping and family responsibilities. Yet you are just as necessary to the world as those who elect to follow a nursing career. Because of your training and knowledge of health and hygiene, you have a greater responsibility to your communities; and upon you also rests the future of nursing.

And so, St. Luke's Alumnae Association is happy to dedicate the April issue of the Journal to the large number of St. Luke's mothers, whose nation-wide birthday is being celebrated May 12th.

MOTHER'S LAMENT (No. 90)

Baby's in the sugar bowl,

Brother's in the sink,

Puppy's in the baby's bed,

And I'm supposed to think.

Wonder what to have for lunch,

Hope it doesn't rain,

Breakfast dishes to be done,

Time to wash again.

Run along, you little imps,

Let me concentrate.

Take the doggy with you,

Stay inside the gate.

Brother's lost his hat again,

Baby's nose is dripping,

Shoes and stockings cast away,

Brother's pants are slipping.

Soon they'll all be in the mud

Or more unlikely places.

Yes, mother's place is in the home—

A home for mental cases.

Bessie Moeller,

Saturday Evening Post.

The March of Time

1899

Adda Eldredge writes from Tarpon Springs, Fla., that she is enjoying her visit there.

1905

Christine Udell, who has safeguarded the careers of many private duty nurses, is herself leaving the field to enter into a business of her own in the near future. She expects to go to Detroit for her new enterprise. "Chris will be greatly missed at St. Luke's but we all wish her much success in her undertaking.

Salome Dyson had an operation on her knee recently at an Indianapolis Hospital and has now returned to her new home at 603 Arlington St., Chicago.

Madeline Smith of upstate New York writes to Nell Beeby that she has retired from active nursing service but is very busy with an assorted collection of community jobs.

Helen McNab went to Washington D. C. to see the cherry blossoms in bloom.

1910

Josephine Bingamon of Charleston, West Virginia writes of the sudden death of Dr. Barksdale who was at St. Luke's in 1912. Both he and his wife were personal friends of Josephine's and well liked in the community. Miss Bingamon herself has been ill for the past several weeks but is happy to be about again.

1913

Jane Barclay spent several weeks at Long Beach, Cal. visiting Mrs. Voris Wright.

Bertha Walden Clayton of Junction, Ill. writes her enjoyment in the news of the Alumnae Journal. She is a very busy housewife with two growing daughters. Betty is a student at the university of Illinois and Frances Walden will be at Lindenwood next year. She hopes to be at the banquet this year.

1915

Dr. and Mrs. Carroll (Mary Louise Davenport) just returned from a cruise to Puerto Rico.

1917

Betty Donaldson Knight of Detroit, Michigan visited Nellie Etzler for sev-

eral days in March and called on old friends at St. Luke's.

Nellie Etzler was a hostess to a number of her friends and former classmates at a birthday party at her home, 1520 Michigan Ave., in March. Reports of a magnificent cake with other delectable dishes, made her listeners sigh with desire for an invitation sometime.

1919

Nell Beeby writes that she had tea recently with Josephine Gilbert, who is attending Columbia University this year. She has also had several visits with Margaret Wyne '19 who is home from Peking. Nell sends best wishes to everybody.

1921

Carrie Woods, Director of Nursing, at City Hospital, Louisville, Ky., is greatly improved from her recent illness, and is now at her home in Waterman, Ill.

Ollie Fisher who had an operation on her shoulder recently, is spending a few weeks recuperating in Florida.

Ruth Sackett recently called on Jessie Powers Schultz '20 in Hinsdale. Jessie has three sons ages 15, 13 and 11 years.

1922

Ethelyn Peterson made a two weeks trip to Mexico in March.

1924

Rhoda Wickwire who has spent the winter months at her home in Manistique, Michigan is practicing private duty nursing at St. Luke's.

1925

Clara Bollinger, Director of private duty nursing at First District, is improved and back at work after an illness of several weeks.

1928

Louise Lee Smith Sutphen is recovering nicely from an operation in January.

Helen Swenson Miller is spending the winter in Palm Beach, Fla.

Elsie Gruenhagen has returned from her home in South Dakota where she has spent the winter due to the illness of her mother.

Olive Frost has been medical supervisor at Sherman Hospital, Elgin, Ill., since January.

Marlea O'Connor has returned to Chicago after spending the winter months in Palm Springs, Cal. with a patient.

1929

Rosemary Scott, who accompanied a patient to New York, went on up to Boston where she spent ten days visiting Dr. and Mrs. Duncan Reid (Clarabelle Hipp) and their new adopted daughter. Scotty says the baby is a darling. She also saw Sadie Rock Olsen '32, who also lives in Boston and has a lovely ten months old daughter. She had a chat with Emily Faucett '31 who is working in Boston.

Erma Mathis had an appendectomy at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Los Angeles in January.

1931

The Alumnae Association extends sympathy to Ann L. Jones Laird, Secretary of the St. Luke's Alumnae Association, whose sister Hazel Jones passed away in February after a long illness.

Rose Barrett, who has been a medical Social worker for the Chicago Relief Administration for the past two years, has recently been placed in charge of the Dental Examining Unit. This is a new experiment of the Chicago Relief Administration. It is a new way for taking care of the dental needs of indigent persons. The effort is being watched with a great deal of interest by the other social agencies of the community. Late in March Miss Barrett suffered an accident to her foot and was a patient in the endowed room.

Emily Faucett writes that she is thoroughly enjoying her work at the Boston Dispensary and finds it more and more interesting.

Ann L. Jones Laird is acting Director of Nurses at Illinois Research and Educational Hospital of the University of Illinois since the resignation of Lenore Tobbins January 1st.

1932

Eleanor Duguid Larson is practicing private duty in Galesburg, Ill.

1933

Edith Erickson, who has been head nurse on Main 6 for several years, resigned March 15th to go to San Francisco, Cal. where she will live with her sister and practice nursing. Mary Morton of Dayton, Ohio will accompany her.

Doris (Jonas) McCutcheon is moving to El Centro, Cal.

Lillian Olson spent three weeks at her home in Iron River, Mich., during February.

Mary Ann Harrington writes from San Francisco, Cal. that she has been on an eight hour duty case for the last three years. Her address is 1025 Bush St.

Adeline Kroncke gave a farewell party February 29th at her home for Edith Erickson and Frances Cooper Dennis. Miss Erickson is going to Cal. and Mrs. Dennis is moving to Detroit this spring. Nine classmates were present.

1935

Helen Wallace is head nurse on Main 6 since the resignation of Edith Erickson on March 15th.

1937

Jennie Neidlinger has a position with Montgomery Ward and Co., which she accepted in January.

Mrs. Rita Howell Hart has been a patient at Illinois Research Hospital for several weeks. She would enjoy receiving letters and cards from friends.

Lois Rickert and Ignota Francis who have been doing general duty in New York City for the past year spent a short time visiting friends at St. Luke's in March while on a vacation.

1938

Virginia Mestjian who has been practicing private duty in Chicago since graduation, has accepted a position in Bakersfield, Cal.

Luverta Neuschwanger spent a few weeks of March in Florida.

Doris Nyvall has just accepted a position as hostess with the Rock Island Railroad.

Ruth Johnson has accepted an Army Post assignment in San Diego, Cal.

1939

Anne Dugo who has been a nurse in the schools of Burlington, Ia., visited her home in Chicago and friends at St. Luke's during her spring vacation in March. She likes the work there very much.

1940

Helen Curry has accepted a position as general staff nurse in the Medical department at Cook County Hospital.

Louise Woods has accepted a position as a general staff nurse at Billings Hospital.

Births

1931

Mr. and Mrs. J. Taylor (Josephine Montgomery) of Grand Haven, Mich., announce the birth of a baby boy in February at St. Luke's.

1933

Mr. and Mrs. Rex McClure (Ruth Owen) announce the birth of a baby girl.

1935

Dr. and Mrs. R. Greene (Elizabeth Paul) announce the birth of a baby boy.

1936

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Ross (Jane La Rue) of Waukegan, Ill., announce the birth of a baby girl in January.

1937

Dr. and Mrs. P. B. Theobald (Dayle Huston) are parents of a son born in February.

Marriages

1933

Marion Keck will be married to Dr. Norbert Frey, April 6th, at Reno, Nevada. At home in Nevada City, California.

1938

Margery Oates was married to Mr. H. Skeeles in Honolulu Jan. 1, 1940.

1939

Evangeline Dolista was married to Mr. Foster Turner, February 29th, 1940 in Chicago.

The marriage is announced of Marilynn Buell to Mr. Staley, March 2, 1940 in Canton, Ill.

Miscellaneous News Notes

We are happy to report that Mrs. J. Herchmer who had a stroke last fall, is now much improved and able to be up in a chair.

Forty-five of the graduate nurses have signed up for hospital insurance. This plan provides care for 21 days a year in a semi-private room at a very nominal price. Quite a number of private duty nurses have taken it out, it can be used in conjunction with the endowed rooms.

Dr. Ambrose P. Merrill has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of St. Luke's Hospital and assumed his duties on February 15, 1940. Dr. Merrill was formerly Assistant Superintendent of the County Hospital at San Francisco, Cal. He will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. E. C. H. Pearson who resigned on Dec. 15, to accept the position of General Superintendent of Du-Val County Hospital in Jacksonville, Fla.

A new class of 42 students entered the School of Nursing on March 1, 1940. Miss Madeline McConnell, Director of the School of Nursing, personally interviews each candidate before her acceptance by the school is considered. These young women are carefully selected with special em-

phasis on general background, scholastic rating in high or advanced schools and adaptability for nursing.

Forty members of the Class of 1942B were "capped" the afternoon of February 21, 1940. This traditional ceremony signifies that 4 months of preliminary work in theory and practice has been successfully completed. When the young student receives the school cap, she is formally accepted as a clinical student in the school. At the conclusion of the Chapel services, the group, with their friends, dispersed to the recreation rooms on Main 12 for tea. They were received by members of the Woman's Board of St. Luke's Hospital, including Mrs. John W. Gary, President of the Board, Mrs. Chauncey B. Borland and Mrs. Walter B. Smith. Pouring tea were Mrs. W. E. Ryerson and Mrs. George S. Ebbert.

REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

February 20, 1940: The regular meeting of the Alumnae association was held on Main 12, 7:30 P.M. A short business session was held and the meeting then turned over to Miss

Irene Smith, chairman of the program committee. Miss McConnell, Director of the school of Nursing, gave an interesting talk on the problems we are meeting today in the educational field. This was followed by a resume of the nursing service on the railroads given by Miss Margaret Lair, stewardess of the Union Pacific Railroad.

In commemoration of Washington's birthday so near at hand, delicious refreshments of cherry pie a la mode and coffee were served. The meeting was well attended and those present enjoyed the social hour together.

MARCH MEETING

The Alumnae meeting was held March 19, 1940 at 7:30 P.M. at St. Luke's Hospital. Guests for the evening were the Michael Reese nurses. Mrs. Minna Schmidt, author, lecturer and costumer presented a "Pageant of Queens", from the 12th to the 20th century. St. Luke's nurses acted as models for the costumes. Refreshments served in the lounge completed the evening.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Purpose

In order to encourage further professional preparation, the Alumnae Association of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, Chicago, Illinois, is interested in providing scholarships for qualified graduates from St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing in preparation for teaching supervision, administration in schools of nursing, Public Health nursing, medical-social work, and private duty.

Amount

The amount of scholarship will be \$600.00, to be used for

Four \$150 full time quarter's or semester's work at any accredited university or college approved by the Scholarship and Educational Loan Committee and Board of Directors.

Qualifications

1. Graduate of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing.
2. Certificate of Registration to practice nursing.
3. Membership in Alumnae Association for at least three years prior to making application for

scholarship, as well as membership in A. N. A.

4. Preference will be given applicants under 45 years of age.
5. Satisfactory health record.
6. Preference will be given applicants qualified for senior college work.
7. Satisfactory personal qualifications.
8. Only applications for full time work at a university or college are eligible.

All inquiries regarding this scholarship should be sent to Miss Ada Blumer, Chairman, Scholarship, Educational Loan Fund Committee, St. Luke's Hospital Alumnae Association, St. Luke's Hospital, 1439 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Applications must be in before May 21, 1940.



BLUE CROSS SERVICE GUILD

The annual meeting of the Blue Cross Service Guild was held Tuesday evening, March 19, 1940 on Main 12 with 17 members present. Miss Maud Gooch, treasurer, gave the following report:

Nursing care given to 11 nurses in 1939	\$734.10
Nursing care given to 12 nurses in 1938	653.56
More service given this year	80.54
In the bank	2655.23
Used from funds this year...	86.48
Income this year:	
New members	27.00
Bank interest	37.63
Donations from 160 members	623.88
Total	\$688.51

Membership is now 404. (Should be 1900—all graduates should belong.) There is no annual fee but donations are gratefully received. Membership fee for life is \$1.00. Last year a penny

a day was pledged instead of giving a bazaar. If you haven't sent in your donation for last year, you can still do so by sending it to M. Gooch, St. Luke's Hospital.

The following officers were elected for the year 1940:

Chairman—Naomi Swem '38

Vice-chairman—Mrs. Ruth McCarthy '29

Secretary—Lucille Schenck '30

Treasurer—Maud Gooch '06

All members wish to thank Miss Madge Boyington, president, for her splendid efforts in making the Blue Cross Guild a success for the past two years. The treasurer, Miss Gooch, also deserves a vote of thanks for her untiring devotion to the cause. It is to Miss Gooch as well as the past presidents, Blanche Traude, Merle Evans and Madge Boyington, that the present fund of over \$2500 is in the treasury.

ENDOWED ROOMS

Only emergency cases are accepted in outside rooms—namely accident cases and immediate operations. For reservations please call Miss Jessie Lawrie, Bittersweet 1293.

In union there is strength—but not in “unions.” Since there is considerable speculation concerning the growing dangers of unionism, let us refresh our memories about the recommendations of the American Nurses Association.

THE ST. LUKE'S PRIVATE DUTY FORUM

A meeting of the private duty forum was held Tuesday evening, March 19th on Main 12 with fourteen members present. A committee was selected to make plans for a card party to be held in the near future and sponsored by this group, the proceeds to be used to send a delegate to the biennial convention at Philadelphia in May. Let's all work hard to make this a success so that we, too, may be represented as a group. Watch for the date which will be posted on the bulletin board in the nurses' lounge at St. Luke's.

From The Editor

Two people made happy this year by assistants are, first: the Treasurer, Miss Helen E. McNab, who has carried the work of the treasurer on her shoulders alone for the last eighteen years. The faithful and painstaking service which she has given to the alumnae association can never be repaid. The personal interest she shows in each and every member even though they may never have met, is one of the fine memories each person cherishes.

Miss Nancy Allen of the class of 1934 has consented to give Miss McNab some of the much needed assistance. Let's give them both a great big hand!—and a wish for a successful and happy year together.

The chairman of the publicity and press committee also has an assistant. And is she happy! As you will note on the back cover, under personnel committees, Miss Rosellyn Kelly has been appointed. Miss Kelly's previous experience and her own personal qualifications make her a desirable assistant editor.

The editor of the Journal is very appreciative of the cooperation of association members, realizing that their busy lives leave them very little time for writing articles, etc. We wish to thank all who have shown their appreciation by letters and notes, which time does not permit us to answer. One sometimes gets the idea that all such jobs are thankless and wonders if the effort is worthwhile, but from the many expressions which come to us, we realize that the work of the Journal committee is appreciated.

May we hope to see you all at the annual dinner and homecoming tea.

Letter of Thanks

January 30, 1940

Miss Ethelyn Peterson, President
St. Luke's Hospital Alumnae
Association

Chicago, Illinois

My dear Miss Peterson:

Please accept our sincere appreciation for your contribution of \$300.00 to the Week of Free Care Fund received some time ago.

We have two patients in the Cottage at the present time and it is very gratifying to be able to help these nurses who are ill with tuberculosis. Thank you very much for this generous donation.

Official receipt is enclosed.

Very gratefully yours,
Lois E. Bright, Chairman
Tuberculosis Committee

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THE EDWARD SANATORIUM

On January 1, 1940, the Edward Sanatorium ended its thirty-two-year-old affiliation with The Tuberculosis Institute. Although the two institutions are still closely associated in their work, the Sanatorium is now an incorporated self-supporting institution. Having weathered the storms of the depression, its staff and board are both confident that its future, as has been its past, will be one of continued service.

First sanatorium for the treatment of the tuberculous in the Chicago area and the second in the state, the Edward Sanatorium was given to the Institute by Mrs. Keith Spaulding (Mrs. Edward Gaylord). Its first medical director was Theodore B. Sachs, M.D.

Outstanding for its high standards and its reasonable rates, the institution also has a policy of close cooperation with industry which has made many beds available to those who could not otherwise afford such treatment. The Sears Roebuck, Montgomery Ward, Illinois Bell, International Harvester, and Swift cottages were built by those firms on the sanatorium grounds to provide beds at special rates for any employees who might be found tuberculous. There are beds for ninety-seven patients in the Sanatorium. A new surgical unit makes possible the most progressive treatment within the Sanatorium itself. Under the Medical Director, Jerome Head, M.D., the staff and the Edward Sanatorium have earned an enviable reputation for excellence among the private sanatoria of the mid-west.

In a roundtable discussion on tuberculosis Dr. Linberg says: "From the standpoint of eradication of tuberculosis, we must find cases before they spread the disease to others. The age groups in order are 13 to 30;

I would next examine the six to twelve group where there are no cases; then go to the first year in school, or even better, before they go to school and test them because 95 per cent are non-reactors. The cost of the 5 per cent is low. The 5 per cent would have their adult members of the household examined and, since they have not been away from home it logically follows that someone in the home has tuberculosis. So we find the adult sources—perhaps now latent in the adult—and prevent further exposure to the child."

—From "The Broadcaster"

WHO'S WHO AMONG ST. LUKE'S NURSES

MISS MARIE KLEIN, graduate of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, Class of 1931. Before entering training, she spent two years at Iowa State Teachers College and one year at Santa Barbara California State Teachers College. She then taught several years in the Iowa Public Schools. Since graduating from St. Luke's she was engaged in private duty nursing for three years. For the past six years she has been teaching Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick, first for the Chicago Chapter and for the last four years for the Aurora Chapter of the American Red Cross. She attended summer school at the University of Minnesota in 1936 taking an instructors course in Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick. In the summer of 1937 she enjoyed a freight boat trip to Europe and in the summer of 1938 she took a patient to Europe, visiting fourteen countries.

The following article was written by Miss Klein.

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HOME HYGIENE

Teaching Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick is both interesting and stimulating. It gives the student practical instruction in caring for the sick in the home, how to cope with an emergency before the family physician arrives, and how to make many substitutions needed for the sick room. The Home Hygiene teacher meets with many groups—high school girls, P. T. A. home-makers, W. P. A. house-keeping aides, N. Y. A. employees, from rural groups and urban organi-

zations, old and young, rich and poor, we receive enthusiastic comments of what the course has meant.

The fundamental aim in the Course in Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick is to teach the real meaning of health in its broadest sense. To do this, it is necessary to build health habits that will safeguard the mental and physical life of each member of the family. Individual health and cleanliness is definitely tied up with its proper relationship to the health of the home and the community. This brings about an understanding of the principals of prevention and control of disease. A foundation for health in adult is laid by teaching the proper care of the baby, the pre-school and school child. Practical knowledge is gained in the care of the sick under home conditions and in meeting home emergencies with safety and efficiency. An understanding attitude is developed and a spirit of cooperation secured toward the work of health departments and other health agencies.

It is impossible to estimate the far-reaching effect of such health instruction, but it is a source of great satisfaction to know that almost a million people have been given a better understanding through these classes of the importance of health and how to conserve it, and thereby enjoy life to the fullest.

All nurses must be teachers. Their desire for better preparation is indicated by the increase in attendance at the Red Cross Teachers Training courses given in many of the Universities.



THE NURSE LOOKS AT CANCER CONTROL

We have seen each year an increased death rate from cancer until now we notice with alarm that it is second as a cause of death in the United States. In Illinois the death rate in 1939 was 141.1 per 100,000 population. Every hour sixteen people in the United States die of cancer.

The nurse's responsibility toward the cancer patient might well include the following: A good knowledge of (1) predisposing causes, (2) early signs, (3) treatment, (4) existing resources in her community for diagnosis and treatment, and (5) that her attitude toward the patient with cancer is not one of hopeless fear.

It seems unnecessary to stress the advantage the nurse may have in observing early symptoms and urging her patient to see his doctor. How often is the nurse, whether she is in the industrial, school or private duty field, questioned by her patient, or friends of her patient regarding symptoms?

The economic as well as emotional strain is as difficult a problem for the patient's family as the patient himself. The treatment, even when instituted early, is long and expensive, therefore many patients are faced for the first time with the necessity of accepting free care. The nurse at this point is often in a position to be of great assistance by directing the patient to come to clinic.

The nurse's attitude toward cancer is most important. It is difficult to stress the importance of treatment to a patient and yet eliminate the fear element. If the nurse is convinced in her own mind that cancer is nearly always curable when treated early and by competent physician, she will no doubt be better able to help that patient accept his diagnosis. Her ability to talk with the patient in a calm manner is most important when we consider the hysteria and fear which many families experience when confronted with the problem.

There has been an organized effort to fight cancer since 1913 when the American Society for the control of cancer was incorporated. Their slogan, "Fight Cancer with Knowledge," shows what importance they place upon popular education of the early signs of cancer as well as the necessity for treatment. The Women's Field army was organized in 1936 as a branch of this society with education of the public as its main objective. The cured cancer club also attempts public education. Its members must have had cancer and have been symptom free for five years.

The government has shown increasing interest in cancer control. April has been proclaimed cancer control month. The National Cancer Institute has been established for the purpose of training personnel. The United States Public Health Service has advanced a plan for states to follow in setting up a cancer control program.

Free literature may be obtained from the American Society for the

Control of Cancer, 350 W. Madison St., New York City. They also publish a monthly bulletin which is \$1.00 per year.

The American College of Surgeons have an interesting pamphlet on The Conduct of Cancer Clinics.

—Dorothy Adams.

PUBLIC HEALTH NEWS

February first was Social Hygiene Day, and Chicago was fortunate in having the Regional Conference on Social Hygiene held February 1 and 2 at the Palmer House. The two main topics of the convention were quackery and sex education. A study made in 1939, when compared to a similar study made in 1933, by the United States Public Health Service and the American Social Hygiene Association showed a decrease in the number of quacks practicing. The number who received advice and medication from their druggist had increased. An inquiry of the man on the street as to who he would consult if he had a venereal disease revealed the following: 69 per cent would consult their druggist, 28 per cent would consult a doctor or clinic and 3 per cent did not know where they would go for treatment.

The American Social Hygiene Association is very glad to furnish a list of their printed material. They also have three movies which may be borrowed.

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Mortality statistics are now available for Illinois for 1939. Public Health Nurses will be interested to note the following: Heart disease still leads the list with a mortality of 336.8 per 100,000 population. Death from influenza rose sharply this year, 12.2 per 100,000 population as compared with 5.5 in 1938. For diphtheria, one of the preventable contagious diseases, Illinois still does not have an enviable record. There were 1,454 cases and 114 deaths.

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The Public Health Nursing Course offered by the University of Chicago has been accredited by the N. O. P. H. N.

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The public health section would like to start building a public health library, which would be conveniently

located and accessible to nurses. Several suggestions have been made for its location. Books on public health or the price of one are gratefully received. For further suggestions or information, call Miss Edith Bergquist, Ex. Director of the ISNA.

FIRST DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

Regular Meeting of the District Feb. 13, 1940, at the Chicago Women's Club

A large and enthusiastic audience listened to the very fine program offered by the program committee of First District. Special guests of the evening were senior student nurses from all schools of nursing and the following people of note: Mrs. Burnett Warner, president of the Chicago Women's Club; Dr. Herman Bundesen, president of the Board of Health, and his guest, Dr. Allen Dafoe. The Augustana Hospital Nurses Chorus, directed by Mr. Harry T. Carlson and accompanied by Mr. Richard Vickstrom was in fine form and much enjoyed.

"The Open Door to Nursing Opportunities," was a presentation of the many branches of nursing. Each demonstration was exceptionally fine and the judges selected by the public health section had a difficult time choosing the best. Miss Harriet Fulmer's award of \$5 for the best presentation went to the representative of the Chicago Board of Health and the eighteen nurses who took part. Honorable mention was given to the Air Line stewardess. The following demonstrations were given:

The Chicago Board of Health—complete picture of nursing activities carried on. Mrs. Eloise Phelps, R. N. and eighteen nurses of her staff.

The American Red Cross—Home Hygiene. Mrs. Estelle Blatt, R. N., Director.

Chicago Infant Welfare Society—Presented by Estelle Dunlap, R. N.

Air Line Stewardess—Presented by Ruth Flekke, R. N.

Chicago Visiting Nurse Association—Presented by Frances Bukonski, R. N.

Rural Public Health Nursing Service of Cook County—Presented by Irene O'Connor, R. N.

Industrial Nursing—Presented by Gladys Yahnke, R. N.

Private Duty and Hourly Nursing—Presented by Clara Bollinger, R. N.

Railway Train Stewardess—Presented by Delmar Fraser, R. N.

Municipal Tuberculosis Sanitarium—Presented by Annette Sebouski, R. N., and Lorraine Reek, R. N.

INSTITUTE FOR ALUMNAE OFFICERS

An institute for officers of all alumnae associations of the district sponsored by First District, Illinois State Nurses Association, was held at St. Luke's Hospital Saturday, March 9, 1940. Attendance numbered 125 with 36 different hospitals out of 56 represented. The purpose of the meeting was to promote interest among alumnae associations and facilitate the work of the district association. Discussion covered duties of the officers simple legislative and parliamentary procedures, and alumnae problems. A luncheon was served from 12 to 2 o'clock. The following program was given:

Morning Session

Presiding: Miss Mary I. Bogardus, R. N., President, First District, Illinois State Nurses' Association.

Greetings: Miss Madeleine McConnell, R. N., Director of Nurses, St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing.

10:00-11:00 A. M.: "Parliamentary Procedure" Mrs. Gertrude Lieber, Parliamentarian.

11:00-11:20 A. M.: "Legislation," Mrs. Laura Hughes Lunde.

11:30-11:50 A. M.: "You and I in the Illinois Legislature," Lenore Tobins, R. N., President, Illinois State Nurses' Association.

12:00 M.-1:30 P. M.: Introductions and social hour.

Afternoon Session

Presiding: Miss Dorothea Thompson, R. N., First Vice-President, First District, Illinois State Nurses' Association.

2:00-2:20 P. M.: "Benefits Derived from Professional Organization Membership," Dorothy Rood, R. N., M. A., Ph. D., Associate Professor of Public Health Nursing, Loyola University School of Medicine.

Discussants: Edith A. Bergquist, R. N., Executive Secretary, Illinois State Nurses' Association.

3:00-3:20 P. M.: "Dissemination of Information as a Method of Stimulating Nurses to a More Widespread Participation at an Earlier Age," Frances L. A. Powell, R. N., Secretary First District, Illinois State Nurses' Association.

Discussants: Irene L. Stolp, R. N., St. Luke's Hospital; Eileen O'Connell, R. N., St. Joseph Hospital; Margaret Ingersoll, R. N., Acting Director, Children's Memorial Hospital—Final discussion.

PROGRAM FOR THE FIFTH ANNUAL INSTITUTE

Sponsored By the Private Duty Nurses Section, First District Illinois State Nurses' Association, March 28th and 29th, 1940

Mercy Hospital—March 28th

Entrance—Calumet and 26th Street

Morning Session

9:00 Welcome to Institute Guests

9:05 Dr. George Hellmuth, "Pneumonia and New Developments in the Treatment." Lantern slides will be shown.

9:45 Dr. Henry Schmitz, "Anaemia." Lecture illustrated with slides.

10:35 Miss Ruby Tuft, "Making Your Patient Comfortable."

10:50 Dr. Herbert Landis, "Surgical Nursing of the Urological Patient." With demonstration of open and closed methods of irrigation.

Mercy Hospital—March 28th

Afternoon Session

1:35 Dr. Paul Hollinger, "Bronchoscopy." Demonstration.

3:00 Sister Mary Therese, "The History Room."

3:30 The Nurses of the Alumnae Association of Mercy Hospital will entertain the guests of the Institute at tea in the nurses' residence.

Mercy Hospital—March 28th

Evening Session

8:00 Dr. Arkell Vaughan, "Some Observations in Experimental Hibernation Treatment of Hopeless Metastatic Carcinoma Cases." Slides will be shown. Demonstration of nursing care.

Billings Memorial Hospital—

March 29th

Room 117—950 East 59th Street

Morning Session

9:00 Welcome to Institute Guests.

9:10 Dr. Luke Hunt, "Arthritis."

10:00 Dr. Harry Oberhelman, "Hitherto Unemphasized Principles in the Management of Cancer Patients."

10:50 Dr. E. K. Musson, "Communicable Diseases."

11:40 Demonstration—Isolation Technique Types I, II and III.

Billings Memorial Hospital—

March 29th

Afternoon Session

2:00 Dr. Paul Starr, "Special Nursing Problems in the Care of the Endocrine Patient."

2:45 Dr. Ralph Scull, "Contact Dermatitis."

4:00 Dr. C. B. Puestow, "Cause and Treatment of Post Operative Distention." Motion pictures will be shown.

Evening Session

Billings Memorial Hospital

8:00 Rev. Russell Dicks, "The Religious Needs of the Patient."

8:25: Dr. E. Ransom Koontz, "Nurses and the Law."

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NURSE MEMBERSHIP IN UNIONS

"The American Nurses' Association does not at this time recommend nurse membership in unions."

The Board of Directors of the American Nurses' Association issued the above statement to the presidents of all state nurses' associations during June of this year. The statement was made after due consideration of the fact that nurses in some centers are being asked to join unions.

Why does the ANA Board take this position regarding nurse membership in unions? One reason why it does so is that the Board is convinced that: in their professional organizations nurses have the instruments best fitted and equipped to improve every phase of their working and professional lives.*

The pressing problems in nursing today are these: hours, living conditions, economic security, employment, old-age security, health, increased and improved services to the sick, reasonable patient load, staff preparation and education, and undergraduate and graduate education.

Every single one of these is a part of the working program of the American Nurses Association (which is the professional membership organization for nurses in this country) or of the National League of Nursing Education, which functions as the Department of Education of the ANA. For the forty years of its existence the purpose of the ANA has been to promote the advancement of nurses and nursing in every proper way.

In the course of this forty years the ANA has established useful relationships, has accumulated experience, and has increased its services; because of these things it has added enormously to its membership and has widened its influence. These are resources which are at the disposal of every

* "The American Nurses Association and You." The American Nurses' Association, 50 West 50th Street, New York City.

graduate registered nurse, through her state nurses' association, if she will avail herself of them.

Far too many nurses fail to get help—help which they need, help which is their right, help which their professional organizations can give them. Often this is because they do not know or have not asked, what the possibilities are—what help their associations are prepared to give. Sometimes, also, those who are informed fail to share their knowledge with those who would profit by it.

Recently, the whole complicated machinery of a state legislature was set in motion by a local statesman in order to solve the problems of just one nurse. When the state nurses' association learned of the situation and investigated, it found the nurse's problem to be a very simple one, easily taken care of in short order and without recourse to special legislation. Had this legislative effort been successful it would have been most disastrous to the status of professional nursing in that state. The nurse herself had not intended to resort to legislation. She simply had not known that the state association was the place to go for the kind of help she needed.

Specifically, what kinds of help are available to nurses from their professional organizations? Here are some of them:

Help in securing employment through professional registries; help in establishing fees approved by recognized local groups; vocational guidance; help in working out eight-hour day campaigns; protection of their professional and personal status by means of placement through approved registries; help in organizing and promoting professional registries.

The ANA also constantly carries on such other useful services as study of the economic conditions which affect nursing service and the employment of nurses; setting standards for nursing service in the hospital, in collaboration with the American Hospital Association and the American College of Surgeons; study of community nursing needs, of supply and demand for nurses.

Broadly speaking, the individual nurse receives from the American Nurses Association and from her state nurses association the support which a group of individuals banded

together for a cause can give its members.

It is not our purpose to describe in detail here all the services which the professional nursing organizations give or have given to nurses. These have been outlined in "The American Nurses Association and You," a publication recently issued by the American Nurses' Association.**

What we do wish to reiterate is that, in order to solve the problems of nurses and nursing we need—not new associations for nurses but more effective use of the professional associations we now have. We need also nurses who are informed about their professional organizations; nurses who are aware of the place of nursing among the other services to mankind; nurses who know how to use the professional organizations and their resources, skilfully and effectively, in relation to their individual problems and in securing intelligent understanding from the nurse-employing public.

** "The American Nurses' Association and You" may be had free on request from your state nurses' association secretary. See Official Directory in this "Journal" for her address. Summaries based on "The American Nurses' Association and You" also appeared in the June "American Journal of Nursing," pp. 586 and 625.

AGGRESSIVE UNIONISM

Nurses are organizing not for the purpose of improving themselves professionally or of rendering better service to patients but to gain shorter hours, higher pay and more satisfactory working conditions. Better let it be said that a minority group in this fine profession is thus following the example of labor unions.

None will deny the splendid contribution that nurses individually and collectively have made to the welfare, happiness, comfort and humanities of this and other generations. To organize group effort for elevating scientific and professional aims is splendid. More power and influence for good to the American Nurses' Association, the National League of Nursing Education and their many fine state organizations! Never from the platform of the national conventions of such

groups does one hear a selfish, ego-centric or arrogant voice. Instead there is much discussion of the most effective methods for providing better nursing.

But, alas! on the fringes of this fine professional group one observes small, excited, emotional gatherings discussing wages, hours and hospitals. Here and there a listener might catch incendiary suggestions as to votes, parties, national or local elections, or the building up or the tearing down of political influence. Some believe that such groups are wholly unrepresentative of the nursing profession, that they consist of the agitator type, who have leisure time to spend at "head-quarters" because doctors do not wish

to employ the selfishly militant nurse.

What the really representative nurse thinks of these dissatisfied groups would be highly interesting. Ethical nurses do not hold such persons in high repute. It is probable that the professional organizer finds the idle incompetent nurse easy to persuade. Slogans such as "Eight hours, eight dollars and eight months' work," find easy lodgement in their shallow minds. The ethical nurse, however, calmly continues on her way. The doctor and the hospital pay little heed. It is likely that the nurse with union tendencies will either gravitate to her own level or else repent and seek reinstatement by her more ethical colleagues.



Personnel of Committees

STANDING COMMITTEES—Chairmen Elected for 1940

The President is Ex-Officio Member of all Committees

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Babette Jennings, Chairman
Rita Castle Ashton
Myrtle Peterkin
Helen McNab
Alice Bell

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Roberta Lawsha
Mrs. R. Walters
Aileen Cassidy
Clara Bollinger

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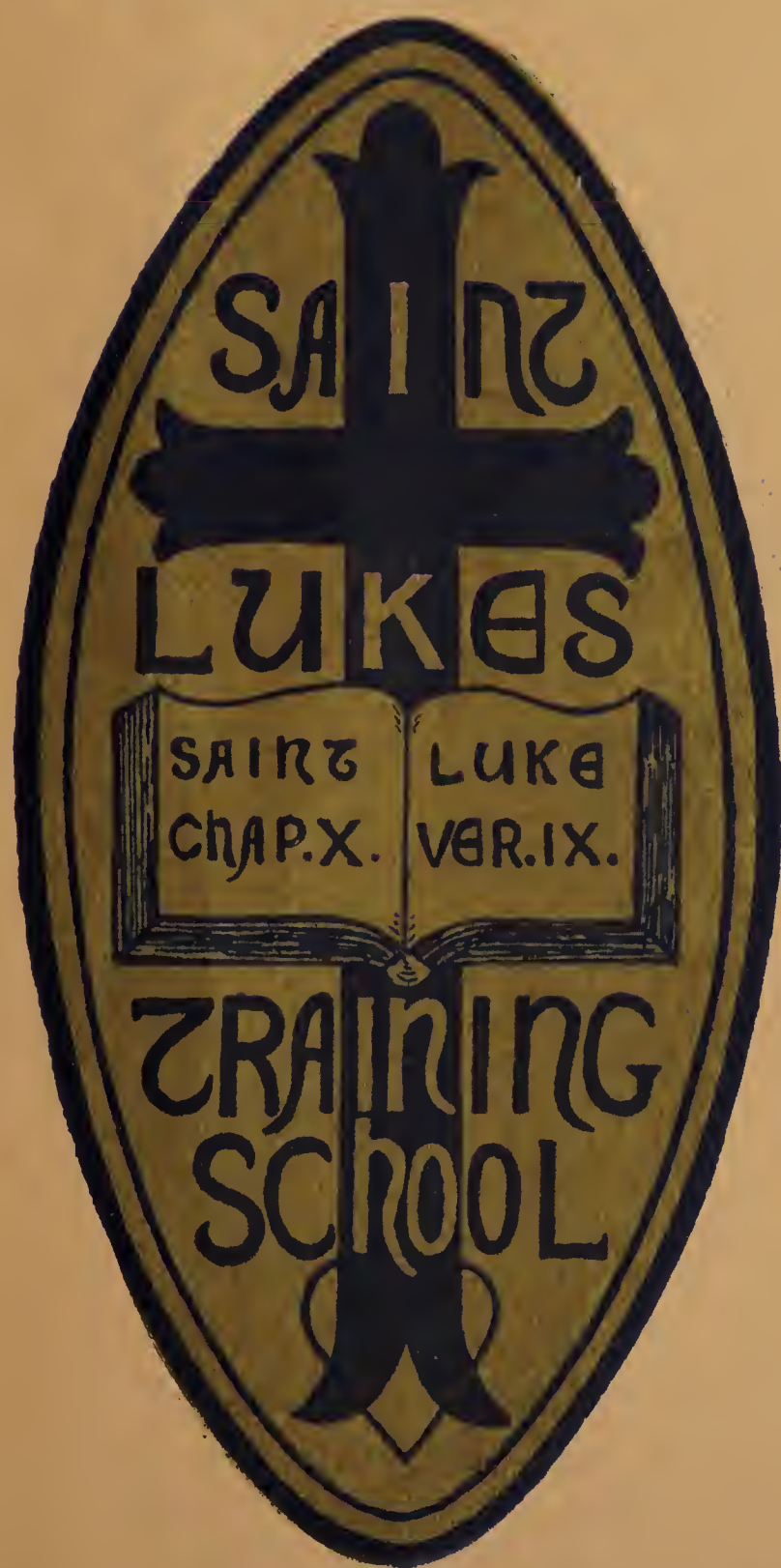
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With understanding of and the belief in the aims and purposes of the Alumnae Association of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, I do solemnly affirm, that I will enter into and aid in its work and that I will endeavor, by my daily life and service, to honor always the profession of which I am a member.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

I. S. N. A. Convention

The annual convention of the Illinois State Nurses Association will be held at the Palmer House, Chicago, October 17, 18 and 19, 1940.

Future Alumnae Meetings

The first meeting in the fall will be held September 17th, 1940 at 7:30 P. M. on Main 12. The private duty forum will sponsor the program for the evening. Lets make it the best attended meeting of the year.

The October meeting is the third Tuesday of the month. Held at the usual time and place. Please check your calendars.

News Is What Happens!

In view of the fact that many inquiries have been made to the editorial department of the journal wondering why nothing is written concerning their class, we wish to take this opportunity to request that you mail all news items and articles to Mary Everett 5424 Cornell Ave., or Rosellyn Kelly, 426 Surf St. Tell us about your vacations, trips, marriages, births, etc. It would make good news! The next bulletin goes to press September 23rd to be published in October. Let us make it an outstanding issue. Until then we say good-bye and wish you a happy summer.

New Vocational Assistant

On June 1st, Florence Eleanor Spaulding became vocational assistant in public health nursing with the Nurse Placement Service, Chicago, succeeding Elizabeth J. MacKenzie, now director of Kings' Daughters Visiting Nurse Association, Norfolk, Va. Miss Spaulding is a graduate from St. Luke's Hospital, Cleveland.

Round-Robins

Why not each class start a round-robin? What is a round-robin? Its a letter which is sent on from one person to another; each person writes a few lines of greeting or message to

the next person and mails it to someone else. They are lots of fun to receive and an excellent way to get news of your classmates. Most of the addresses are in the Year Book; the editorial committee would be very happy to publish such letters and hopes that some one will start the ball rolling.

Invitation From U. of California

From July 1 to 20, 1940 the University of California is offering an Institute on Public Health Aspects of Maternal and Infant Hygiene, by their department of Hygiene. The guest instructor will be Miss Louise Zetzche, who has had rich experience in the general field of public health nursing, and in addition is largely responsible for the development of a well-integrated maternity service in the Denver VNA, a joint non-official agency.

Courses will also be given during the six weeks summer session by Dr. Mayhew Derryberry, of the U. S. public Health Service.

Resolution by Delegates

Delegates to the National Biennial Convention told President Roosevelt in a resolution, that they wanted to offer their "strength and support in any nursing activity in which we can be of service in this time of unusual anxiety."

Registration Heavy at Convention

The total number of nurses registered at the convention was 7,601. Of this number, 1,429 were students, and 118 failed to tell from which states they came. Two nurses from China registered; seven from Canada; three from Alaska.

Convention Reports and Papers

The June AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING will carry the convention report of the ANA, NLNE and joint meetings; the July issue of PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING will carry the report of NOPHN's meetings.

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Greetings to the Graduating Class

Commencement, Friday evening, May 24, 1940

St. James Church

From your faculty and alma mater greetings and congratulations to you, the Fifty Second Graduating Class of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing.

Life has shed its light upon you as from a beautiful stained glass window. So much has gone into your education. You have brought to the school youth, vigor, intellectual eagerness, an ability to discipline yourselves, faith and loyalty. Light of beauty, sincerity, kindness, knowledge, patience under adversity, sadness and joy have shed their rays upon you. The best in the land has contributed to your welfare: the seasoned wisdom and public spirit of our Board of Trustees; the support and counsel of the Woman's Board; the understanding guidance of the Nursing Council; the courage, patient loyalty and wise teaching of the Medical Board; the courageous leadership of our Administration; from your Nursing Faculty and Alumnae Association the keen sense of responsibility that through them lies the privilege to prepare you for a profession whose aim is to assist in the care of mankind; the wings of our church and chapel have given you shelter and inspiration.

Today you start on your life's work full of courage, joy, sympathy, patience and understanding. You know that you must always seek to increase; your strength, physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually; your patience; your willingness to work with others; your understanding; your loyalties to those values that are high and true.

You have chosen a profession of which society has a right to demand higher than average performance. Let us all call upon those qualities that will make us strong in days of stress and bring to us the true joy of service.

Madeleine McConnell
Director, School of Nursing
and Nursing Service

THE MARCH OF TIME

1895

Harriet Fulmer spent her vacation in Connecticut, Philadelphia and New York. She attended the Biennial Convention at Philadelphia. Later she spent some time in New York where she visited the Fair.

1905

Miss Madeline Smith came from Saranac, New York for all graduation festivities, as did Mrs. Pansy Runner Batman from Bloomington, Indiana.

1906

Maud Gooch attended the Biennial Convention at Philadelphia. She spent several days at Atlantic city and then on to New York where she attended the Fair and other points of interest.

1914

Eve Morkill is Chairman of the program committee of the private duty section of the Illinois State Nurses Association.

1915

The class of 1915 had a luncheon at Marshall Fields on Friday, May 24th with Miss Adda Eldredge as guest.

Miss Mildred Pringle came from Phoenix, Arizona for her reunion. She enjoyed renewing old friendships.

1918

Ruth Fair spent several weeks in March visiting in Berkeley, Cal. She also visited Ida Swanson Peterson, class of 1915 at Hollywood, Cal.

1919

The class of 1919 had their annual luncheon at the Stevens Restaurant May 23, preceeding the tea at St. Luke's. Those present were; Mrs. Valley Apple (Sis Howell), Mrs. Geo. Bull (Hildur Johnson), Mrs. M. Bowlby (Mary Fairbarn), Mrs. Patrick Fitzmaurice (Leona Brall), Mrs. Lloyd Markel (Margret Strong), Mrs. Peter Oksnevod (Rae Saville). Letters were read from Lois Cox. Mrs. Forest Scott (Grace Roberts), Mrs. Foster Lewis, Jr. (Martha Maxfield), Mrs. Wm. Sneeberger (Dorothy Rysdorp), Mrs. Edwin Rapp (Lena Bjornstad), who stated they are grandparents. Both Dr. Edwin Rapp and Sneeberger sent greetings to the class.

Margaret Wyne, who has been in Peiping, China for several years, is

home on a leave of absence. She intends to sail for that country sometime next month.

1920

Thirty-one members of the class of 1920 met at the Stevens Hotel on May 23rd for a home-coming luncheon. An enjoyable time was had talking over old times. From the luncheon they attended the home-coming tea at St. Luke's. Those present from out of town were: Alta Hicks Carlson, Appleton, Wis., Ruth Carr, South Bend, Ind., and Luella Bailey Burns from Lakewood, Ohio.

1921

Bertha Madison, who is doing Indian Reservation work at Riverside, Calif., attended the graduation festivities. She also attended the convention in Philadelphia.

Margaret Mathis of Los Angeles, California writes that she is very busy taking classes three nights a week at college there. She has been having treatments for a torn ligament in her left shoulder. At Easter time, she and four friends went to the desert for five days vacation. She writes that they went to a big, lovely, rambling desert guest house made of railroad ties and run by a man and wife who take only friends of friends. There were beautiful desert flowers about and all wore sun suits or shorts, thereby getting a good coat of tan.

Beatrice Blodgett spent ten days in Neenah, Wis., the latter part of May.

Mary Everett spent two weeks visiting relatives in Long Island City, N. Y. after attending the biennial convention. She also had an enjoyable two days visit with Edna Hanson Rothe and family of Pelham Heights, N. Y. Edna is well and kept very busy with her three girls.

1922

Gordo Willson, who is employed at Grasslands Hospital, Valhalla, New York, vacationed in California during April. She stopped off in Chicago for a short visit.

Carrie Woods, who is convalescing from a recent illness, is a patient on Main 7.

Ethelyn Peterson, president of the Alumnae association, was a delegate of the Alumnae Association to the

biennial convention at Philadelphia in May.

Ruth Moe Melgard recently spent a week at her cottage in Canada.

Merle Evans spent ten days in May with her sister in Markesan, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. Kipp (Ellen Rattle) spent their spring vacation visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Schmidt (Isabelle Retrum) of Arcadia, Wis.

1925

Loraine Ostrom returned from Fort Lauderdale, Florida in May where she did private duty this winter. She spent some time with Katie Beck while there.

Clara Bollinger spent a week in May visiting at Galena, Ill.

1926

Helen Moulton is doing general duty in a hospital at New Rochelle, New York and is attending Columbia University.

Mable Larson is enjoying the summer months at her home in Elroy, Wisconsin. Mable writes that she is enjoying the spring planting season and all reports sound like she is quite a capable gardener.

Ella Saline spent several weeks during May with a patient in Michigan.

1928

Isabelle O'Reilly and Leila Simmons '25 have returned from Florida where they did private duty this winter.

1923

Kathryn Shaneyfelt of Aurora, Nebraska, Dorothea McMillan of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, Dorothy Bast Salo of Corning, New York and Margaret Sloman of Cold Water, Michigan all returned for commencement festivities.

The following members of the 1923 class held a luncheon reunion at the Stevens Hotel: Kathryn Shaneyfelt, Dorothea McMillan, Dorothy Bast Salo, Margaret Sloman, Rachel Gibbs Prescott, Pauline Smith McVicar, Alice Riley, Catherine Gates Mitchell.

1924

Ethel Zemlika Cole spent ten days in May visiting at her home in Merrill, Wisconsin.

Rhoda Wickwire, who has been doing private duty in Chicago this spring, is leaving for Mackinac Island the 15th of June where she will resume her summer duties at the Beaumont

Emergency Hospital.

1930

Miss Pearl Wittmack delightfully entertained members of the class of 1930 at a luncheon on Saturday, May 25th, at the home of Mrs. C. L. Brockett, Chicago. Those present were: Gladys Zerbel, Margaret Hamilton Rose, Lillian Gindele DeWitt, Mildred Belder, and Ruth St. John Kay of Chicago, Blanche Ballard Krohn of Detroit, Michigan, Opal Rasmussen Jones of Kenosha, Wisconsin, Beulah Dittoe of Hopkinsville, Kentucky and Ruby Glowe Philbeck of St. Louis, Missouri. After the guests intermingled and reminiscences were exchanged a delicious luncheon was served at a long table interspersed with a single gardenia at each plate. Those unable to be present sent their sincere regrets in the form of letters which were read. During the course of the afternoon lovely music was provided by the talented Misses Gladys Zerbel, Jane Rochet and Ruth St. John Kay. After deciding to hold similar gatherings in the future the guests departed to attend the Alumnae Dinner.

Rhoda Frid of Lansing, Michigan attended the Tri-State Hospital convention held in Chicago in April.

1931

Charlotte White is on the staff of the Madison General Hospital, Madison, Wis. She is also attending the university.

Edith Snow, who has been doing general duty at St. Luke's for the past several years is at a camp in Wisconsin during the summer months.

Margaret Hanstein, surgical supervisor at Madison General Hospital Madison, Wisconsin, attended the Tri-State Hospital Assembly in Chicago in April.

Gertrude Seipman has returned from Florida and is doing private duty here in Chicago. She expects to leave for California in July.

Shirley Oliver Johnson was a patient on Main 7 in May.

Joanne Moreland Pride spent several weeks in June at Corpus Christie Texas.

Lucille Fehl spent the winter months in Florida with her patient.

Ann L. Jones Laird, acting Director of Nurses at Illinois Research and Educational Hospital of the University of Illinois attended the Biennial convention at Philadelphia.

1932

Marcella Shatusky, courier nurse for the Santa Fe Railroad, had an appendectomy at Menominee, Mich. while home for "Mothers day". She is getting along nicely and expects to go to the San Francisco Fair for the summer months upon recovery.

Word was received from Nellie Iverson Graham of the birth of a 3 lb. 6 oz. baby boy born to Mr. and Mrs. M. Dethlof (Myrtle Enquist) on April 2nd, 1940 at Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, Indiana and of its passing away on April 5th. The Alumnae extends sympathy to the parents in their bereavement.

Word has been received of the death of Esther Wurtz Beel's husband, Glenn Beel, at Tulsa, Oklahoma on May 2nd, 1940. The Alumnae extends sympathy to Esther and their small daughter, Linda.

1933

The Alumnae extends sympathy to Adeline Kroncke whose father passed away in April after a brief illness at Madison Wisconsin.

Lillian Olsen went to Bemus Point, New York which is on Lake Chautauqua, with her patient in April. She expects to be there for the summer.

Pauline Krause is doing general duty at Ingalls Memorial Hospital at Harvey, Illinois.

Norma Zitske Pierre underwent an operation for a thyroidectomy in a Milwaukee Hospital in May.

1934

Hattie Schmalz who is employed at the Veterans Hospital, Hot Springs, So. Dakota is recovering nicely from an operation which she had in March.

Nina Callahan Skorcz of Clearwater, Fla., is vacationing at her home in Galesburg, Ill. She spent some time in Chicago.

Georgianna Kelly represented the staff nurses of St. Luke's Hospital at the Biennial convention in Philadelphia.

1935

Dr. and Mrs. Vedder (Jane Duchac) of Marshfield, Wisconsin spent a few days in Chicago the latter part of April, visiting with Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Waskow (Margaret Lucas) and other friends.

1936

Blanche Bredfeldt Eickelberg of Waterloo, Iowa was a visitor at St. Luke's in May.

Roberta Lawsha has recently returned from a month's vacation in Florida.

Dr. and Mrs. Ed. Cotler (Alice Anderson) of East Chicago, Ind., visited friends at St. Luke's one evening in April.

Erma Lehman Jones recently resigned as instructor in the School of Nursing, Trinity Hospital, Kansas City, Mo., and will enjoy the summer months with her young son, Arthur, in Bresford, South Dakota.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Britton (Regula Struebling) of Moline, Ill., were visitors at St. Luke's during April. They recently returned from a vacation in Florida.

Augusta Heldt just returned from a two weeks tour of the eastern states.

Dr. and Mrs. P. Carney (Elynor Hodges) of DeKalb, Illinois were visitors at St. Luke's May 24th.

Mrs. Charles Lewis (Viola West) is now living at 1467½ W. 37th St., Los Angeles, California.

1937

Doris Downs, Ann Martin, and Dallas Baynton gave a party for the Chicago members of the class of 1937 B on the evening of May 6. Those present were Ida Gindele, Elizabeth Anderson, Eleanor Hoehn Barnhart, Helen Border, Marie Steinke, Edna Fletcher Soltau, Marietta Logeland Davie, Margaret Freckelton, Thelma Corby, Dorothy Eagan, Wanda Stagen Tieman, and Kathleen Burwell.

Letters from Grace Bell Keyser, who lives in Rochester, Minnesota, and from Arlene Beto, a public health nurse from Mississippi, were read. A round robin was written to Mary Stahl, Carling the proud mother of a nice little boy.

Eleanor Hoehn keeps busy out in Downer's Grove with her golf and her little weekly clinic. Elizabeth Anderson has given up general duty for private duty. Margaret Freckelton is in V. N. A. and is very enthusiastic about it. Thelma Corby is nurse for the Continental Bank. Dorothy Eagan has recently become a stewardess on the Green Diamond. Marietta Logeland has come back to do private duty after a long absence. Ann Martin has joined the operating room staff at Billings.

1938

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hjorth (Phyllis McCabe) are enjoying their new country home near Chesterton, Indiana.

Marion Cadigan is doing surgical nursing in Butte, Montana.

Lulu Demmuth and Janet Swenson are doing general duty at St. Luke's Hospital in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Pearl Guzy Hubbel and Marvel Barclay are doing general duty at Cook County Hospital in Chicago.

Blanche Syfert and Blanche Elsik are with the Visiting Nurse's Association in Chicago.

Margaret Hornung is doing Infant Welfare work in Chicago.

Irene Bleifuss has a new position as stewardess on the Rock Island Railroad.

1939

Arline Peterson has accepted a position with the International Harvester Company in Chicago.

MARRIAGES

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1937

Helen Roedl was married to Dr. Richard Jacobsen in May, 1940. They will be at home in Madison, Wis.

1938

Elizabeth Davis was married to William Sear, May, 19th, 1940 at the Little Church Around the Corner, New York City.

1939

The marriage is announced of Dorothy Krouse to Russell Daley on January 1st, 1940. Following the ceremony they flew to New York City on the United Airlines where they visited points of interest. On their return trip they stopped in Washington D. C.

The marriage is announced of Alma Havens to Mr. P. Shrake on March 30th, 1940.

BIRTHS

1928

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Orwig (Kathleen O'Connor) announce the birth of a baby girl born May 11th, 1940 at St. Luke's.

1929

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Spear (Clara Pelz) announce the birth of Nancy Lee on April 27, 1940 at Modesto, Cal.

1932

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie H. Enderton (Agnes Pugh) announce the birth of a baby boy, Leslie Demorest, born at Presbyterian Hospital, Newark, New Jersey, on March 30th, 1940.

1933

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fraser (Marie Knodle) announce the birth of a baby boy in March.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Clyde Freeland (Mae Blatti) of Dubuque, Iowa announce the birth of a son born at Lakeview Hospital, Danville, Ill. April 2nd, 1940.

1934

Mr. and Mrs. L. Keyes (Louise Lord) announce the birth of a baby girl, Honore, March 31st, 1940, at St. Luke's.

1936

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Semmer (Miriam Baxter) announce the birth of a daughter, Judith Ellen, born at St. Luke's on May 2, 1940.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lewis (Violet West) announce the birth of a daughter, Marilyn Jean, at Los Angeles, California on May 20th, 1940.

1938

Mr. and Mrs. J. Heitmanek (Ellen Lovell) announce the birth of a son born in April, 1940.

OBITUARIES

Margaret Wilcox Billington, class of 1935, passed away April 20th, 1940 after a short illness. Father Travis read the service and burial took place at Glenoaks.

APRIL ALUMNAE MEETING

The April Alumnae meeting was held Tuesday the 16th, 1940 at 7:30 p. m. on Main 12. A short business session was held and the meeting then turned over to Miss Irene Smith, chairman of the program committee.

Dr. John C. Mergerner, a former St. Luke's intern, now a Resident Psychiatrist at the Illinois Psychiatric Institute, university of Illinois, gave an interesting lecture "The Place of the Association of Former Patients in the Field of Psychiatric Work." Movies were used to show the treatment of the patient with the use of picrotoxin and metrazol therapy. The meeting was well attended and those present found the lecture interesting as well as educational. Refreshments were served in the lounge following the meeting.

Letters

May 3, 1940

Mrs. John W. Gary,
Chairman of Nursing Council,
St. Luke's Hospital
School of Nursing,
135 S. La Salle St.
Chicago, Illinois

My Dear Mrs. Gary:

The Board of Directors of the Alumnae Association, St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, has voted to assist the Nursing Council of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing in meeting the cost of accreditation by the Committee on Accrediting of the National League of Nursing Education. The Board is very much pleased to know that their school has made application for accreditation and has voted and presented their action to a general meeting of the Alumnae, to assume the cost of the survey of the school which, we understand, will be \$235, and also, the cost of handling the application \$15, making a total of \$250.00.

The Alumnae Board is naturally very much interested in the progress of the school and will be glad to offer this assistance.

Very sincerely yours,
Ann L. Jones Laird, Secretary

May 15, 1940

Mrs. Ann L. Jones Laird,
Secretary of the Alumnae Association
St. Luke's Hospital
School of Nursing,
Chicago, Illinois

My Dear Mrs. Laird,

The Woman's Board of St. Luke's Hospital greatly appreciate the gen-

erous contribution of the Alumnae Association to the Nursing Council of St. Luke's to meet the cost of accreditation by the National League of Nursing Education, and wishes to thank the Alumnae Association for assuming the entire cost of this survey.

Most sincerely yours,
Marguerite W. McLallen
Assistant Secretary

HOMEcoming DAY

One of the outstanding features of commencement week was homecoming day, Thursday, May 23rd, at St. Luke's. A large number attended the demonstration of new nursing technics which was held on Main 12 in the morning. Some of the procedures demonstrated were oxygen therapy and the gravity aspirator. Following these demonstrations a tour was made of the hospital. At 1 p. m. supervisors were in their stations for consultations.

A high light of the afternoon was a symposium at which time a "Long Term Plan for St. Luke's" was discussed. Speakers were Mr. Chas. Schweppe, Dr. Selim McArthur, Mr. Chas. Wordell, Mrs. Gordon Lang, Miss Madeleine McConnell, Miss Ann Armstrong and Miss Alma Hakanson. We expect to have a more detailed account of this in the September issue of the bulletin.

At this time a lovely silver pitcher and tray were presented to the School of Nursing by Miss Lena Jacobs from the class of 1915, who are celebrating their silver anniversary this year.

Miss Mary Freesh, president of the 1940 graduating class, presented the school of Nursing with an American Flag and a scroll which had been signed by most of the doctors on the medical staff of St. Luke's Hospital. Miss Freesh then presented the banner from the Class of 1940 to the Class of 1941. The president of the Junior class accepted.

About 400 Alumnae and guests attended the homecoming tea and reception held in the Helen Shedd Reed Room on Main 12 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Many letters of regret were received from members who were unable to be present.

ANNUAL DINNER OF ST. LUKE'S ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Eighteenth Annual Dinner of the Alumnae Association of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing was held in the Crystal Room of the Blackstone Hotel, May 25th, 1940. About 250 were present including the 1940 graduating class and several guests of honor.

Miss Ethelyn Peterson, president of the Alumnae Association, presided at the speakers table. This being the silver anniversary for the class of 1915 they too were guests of honor and the following members of the class were seated at the speakers table: Mrs. Eleanor Conrad Hebard, Miss Lydia Jordan, Miss Mabel Tompkins, Miss Mildred Pringle, Miss Lena Jacobs, Mrs. Beatrice Snyder Stambaugh, Miss Marie Drager, Mrs. Mary Louise Davenport Carroll, Miss Georgia Winship and Mrs. Winifred Brahmall Drake. Others sitting at the speakers table were: Miss Madeleine McConnell, Director of Nurses, St. Luke's Hospital. Dr. M. M. Knowles, Head of the Anesthesia Department of St. Luke's. Miss Mabel Binner, Superintendent of Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago. Miss Adeline Kroncke, chairman of the private duty forum of St. Luke's.

Miss Peterson welcomed the graduating class into the Alumnae Association. The response was made by Miss Mary Freesh, president of the 1940 graduating class. Miss Peterson then introduced Mrs. Carroll who spoke for the class of 1915.

The following are excerpts taken from her address to the group:

I am very happy to be here this evening and consider it an honor to represent my class at this meeting. The responsibility rests heavily on me and I trust that I will not be held accountable for what has happened to me and my classmates since we cast our lot with Florence Nightingale. In choosing and consider it an honor to represent my class at this meeting. The quite apparent that our class must be a group of "doers" rather than "sayers." Unfortunately the one or two of our class who might have given an impressive talk, apparently are not with us this evening.

A quarter of a century is a long time measured by any standard other

than that of an anthropologist. But these past 25 years have been so filled with advances, achievement and changes that they have been much too short for those who have lived them. We are told that this period has seen more major changes which affect us individually than any similar period in the history of the world.

Medicine and nursing have lived through a period characterized by the introduction of important discoveries and improved technique, which has resulted in the saving of untold numbers of lives and reduced human effort and suffering to the minimum.

Our class entered St. Luke's in 1912, when Smith Memorial was a relatively new building and the only modern building composing the unit. Twenty hour duty was the rule for graduate and student nurses during their senior year. I think it is fair to state that our didactic work was inferior to that offered the student nurse today, but there is no doubt in my mind that the fundamentals of nursing were as emphatically taught and that the discipline characteristic of the period was more rigid than that of the present time.

Of our graduating class, six have died. I will designate them by their maiden names as they are best known to us—Blake, Rosenberry, Harris, La Mont, Miller and Fratale. Seventeen have married, five of whom stayed in the medical family by marrying doctors—Brahmall, Conrad, Crawford, Duncan, Pollock, Ravn, Simonton, Mack, Swanson, Snyder, Thompson, Wilson, Blake, Hedblom, Crompton, Hall, Davenport. I am unable to give any report of these marriages and the total number of off-spring. We are better able to trace the members of our class who remained in their chosen field. They have upheld the honor and some have been outstanding in various fields of nursing.

Ella Best is Associate Director of ANA Headquarters in N. Y. C. Edna Murray is Assistant Director at Wauwatosa Sanatorium, Wis. Harriet Young is Director of the VNA in Pennsylvania. Attalee Buckingham is operating room supervisor of The Latter Day Saints Hospital, Salt Lake

City, Utah. Mabel Tompkins is associated with Arden Shore Camp, Lake Bluff, Ill. Ruth Martin is an X-Ray technician in Santa Fe, N. M. Jessie McDonald, who was Director of Nurses at St. Luke's for many years, has retired. Mildred Pringle, who was also Director of nurses at St. Luke's for several years, has become a ranch owner and I understand that she specializes in the care of arthritis and convalescing cardiacs. She gives away a century plant for each day the sun doesn't shine.

Five are doing private duty nursing, only two of whom have remained in Chicago. Drager, Gaede, Jacobs, Jordon and Winship. The most important single event in our lives of course was the war—I refer to the World War No. 1. . . . Five members of our class were in service in France with Hospital Unit 14 in 1918-19. Those who thought they were in the war to end wars were—Blake, Murray, Jacobs, Martin, Jordon, and Davenport.

I know that I am expressing the sentiment of the entire class when I say that we have taken great pride in the realization that we have been associated with such a grand and outstanding institution for the past 25 years. The training, inspiration and discipline we received have been a fine base upon which to build one's life. It is my sincere hope that the members of this graduating class will be able to return to a reunion such as this a quarter of a century hence and feel the same pride and satisfaction which is mine tonight.

Miss Mabel W. Binner, Superintendent, The Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago, then gave the following address:

NURSING

As nurses our profession has afforded us many opportunities for service, opportunities for happiness, opportunities for satisfaction in living and in achieving far exceeding the opportunities and satisfactions afforded women in any other profession. These opportunities have been and are now open to us because of the vision, the unselfish devotion and effort of earlier nurses who won recognition for themselves and for the members of their profession. The welfare of the patient was uppermost in their minds, as the science of medicine advanced so the art and science of nursing advanced.

The usual opportunities offered to us do not place us in direct competition with men. Any successful business woman or member of another profession will tell you how keen and at times even bitter that competition can be.

In these days of swiftly changing circumstances, changing attitudes, how much can the attitude of the nursing profession, of the individual nurse change? In demanding the same so-called rights, the same so-called freedom of women in other positions can the nurse continue to hold the same unusual respect, the same unusual admiration, and, I hesitate to say it, almost worship, that has been and is still hers now. We are not dealing in merchandise, we are in a profession that must frequently disregard the pressures and agitations of the times. In Florence Nightingale's day there were those pressures, of a different nature perhaps but existent nevertheless. In her Notes on Nursing we find the following: "I would earnestly ask my sisters to keep clear of both the jargons now current everywhere (for they are equally jargons); of the jargon, namely, about the "rights" of women. . . . Surely woman should bring the best she has, whatever that is, to the work of God's world, without attending to either of these cries. For what are they, both of them, the one just as much as the other, but listening to the "what people will say," to opinion, to the "voices from without?" And as a wise man has said, no one has ever done any—the voices from without. . . . Oh, leave thing great or useful by listening to these jargons, and go your way straight to God's work, in simplicity and singleness of heart."

A short time ago a young hospital trustee said of hospitals, "Ours is one of the few businesses where the customer is never quite normal in body or in mind. How many other businesses could succeed under these conditions?" It is our privilege, our opportunity to meet this need. With this opportunity comes responsibility. One can not expect opportunity without at the same time being willing to accept responsibility. That is not always easy but with the acceptance of each new responsibility strength is developed, satisfaction increased. Searching for happiness alone can end only in continued fruitless search. Render-

ing service, being constantly on the alert for new and better ways in which to do each task, makes an adventure of each day of our lives. The nurse who gives not only intelligently and scientifically but also liberally of herself need never be concerned about the opportunity for adventure and satisfaction in every day of her life, adventure in human service, in human relationships, satisfaction in the job well done, beyond which there is no greater joy.

The Alumnae Association also honored one member from the class of 1894, Theresa Bartle and four members from the class of 1895, Harriet Fulmer, Ann Pearse, Lillian Rein and Mrs. Beatrice Barter Wagner. The following letter from Minnie Wilbur, class of 1890, who is celebrating her golden anniversary this year, was read.

Dear Alumnae:

I was born in 1857, Niles, Michigan; at home there for five years, then came to Chicago in 1862.

At seven years I entered the "Lane" grade school, north side, but in 1871 the great Chicago fire burned for two or three days and nights; business houses, bridges, water works, homes and belongings and several schools. As finished in grade school I entered for two years in old Central High School on the west side. Later I went "down town" for business work; two years in dentistry, nine years in "The Subscription News Company," a fine man Mr. Luther Conant, who lived in Oak Park for many years.

Some time later I became in 1888 a private duty nurse in St. Luke's Hospital and in 1897 helped for twenty years the beloved family of former Gov. Lowden, Sinnissippi Farm, Oregon, Ill., in Chicago and other places in America.

Graduated in 1890, now in 1940—fifty years and a half century! Soon comes another annual dinner (my first one eighteen years ago,) fine Blackstone, crystal lights—delicious food—memorable long speakers table and the many homey round tables for classmates—dozens of cheerful daisies with pleasant faces and pleasant words.

Again, "Happy returns of the Day," dear Alumnae—I salute you.

Minnie D. Wilbur

Miss Peterson spoke of our three Alumnae members who were honored at the biennial convention.

The tribute as received from May D. Collins is as follows: St. Luke's, no less than Miss Eldredge was honored when the latter was awarded an honorary membership in the Sigma Theta Tau Scholarship Society of Nursing. This award is conferred upon a nurse for work of national prominence and Miss Eldredge has long been considered the outstanding nurse in the middle west for her contribution in nursing education. The meeting was presided over by Ruth Perkins Kuehn, a graduate of The Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago, who is the Grand President, and now Dean of the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing. The address was given by one of our own graduates, Miss Henrietta Froehlke, Vice-President of the Society and Dean of the University of Kansas School of Nursing.

The third person to be honored at the convention was Harriet Fulmer, as having been one of the six nurses on the "Committee on Periodicals of the Nurses Associated Alumnae of United States and Canada."

Other distinguished guests at the Alumnae dinner were: Mrs. Ada Crocker, Director of Nurses, Cook County Hospital; Dr. Dorothy Rood, Associate Professor of Public Health Nursing, Loyal University and Margaret Wyne, class of 1919, who is home from Peiping, China on a leave of absence. Letters were received from the following members of the 1915 class who could not be present: Mrs. Signe Ravn Wing, Ruth Marlin, Hal Gaede, Mrs. Fay Duncan Linger, Mrs. Jessie McDonald, Mrs. Ruth Crawford Lankton, Mrs. Jessie Pollock Guan. Telegrams were read from Ella Best and Fay Mack Schnurr, and Ruth Williams Stockig, '29.

The roll call was then taken; the following classes were represented. 1894-1, 1895-4, 1896-2, 1898-1, 1899-2, 1903-2, 1905-5, 1906-2, 1908-1, 1911-1, 1912-1, 1913-2, 1914-3, 1915-10, 1916-1, 1917-2, 1919-1, 1920-10, 1921-7, 1922-2, 1923-5, 1924-1, 1925-1, 1926-3, 1927-4, 1928-2, 1929-3, 1930-19, 1931-7, 1932-11, 1933-7, 1934-8, 1935-5, 1936-2, 1937-4, 1938-4, 1939-11, 1940-75.

NATIONAL BIENNIAL NURSING CONVENTION

May 12-17, 1940 — Philadelphia, Pa.

Before leaving Chicago you received your credentials as a delegate from the State of Illinois, and a green badge. Arriving at the convention, you struggle with 5000 other nurses to pay a dollar, register and receive another badge. Then making your way to another room, you show your delegate credentials, register and receive another badge. With all three badges pinned on your chest you feel equipped to start a week of continuous meetings from breakfast to midnight.

At the joint opening session, the boards of directors of the three national nursing associations walked on the stage. Among these distinguished women we St. Lukers were happy and proud to see our own Adda Eldredge and Harriet Fulmer.

During the convention they were both honored again. Harriet Fulmer as having been one of the six nurses on the "Committee on Periodicals of the Nurses Associated Alumnae of United States and Canada." In 1899 this committee formulated plans and October 1900, the first issue of the **AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING** was mailed out from Philadelphia.

Sigma Theta Tau, Scholarship Society of Nursing, gave a luncheon for Adda Eldredge and made her an honorary member. Miss Katherine Densford presented her with a key. The objectives of the Society were given by Henrietta Froehlke (St. Luke's '22).

Madeleine McConnell was on the program Wednesday afternoon and gave an excellent paper on "Policies on Tenure, Promotions and Increases in Salary."

Ella Best (St. Luke's '15) Associate Director at ANA Headquarters, was glimpsed from time to time as she dashed from one meeting to another keeping the machinery of the convention running smoothly.

There were 38 planned breakfasts, luncheons and dinners. The Illinois State dinner was well attended. We were very proud to have Major Stimson as our guest of honor. Major Julia Flikke, a graduate of Augustana School of Nursing, Chicago, was also present.

One afternoon program was arranged for student nurses only, also a dinner and tea.

There were four business meetings of the ANA. When delegates registered they were given a 148 page printed pamphlet containing reports of officers, directors at Headquarters and 31 committee reports. These reports should be read by every member who wishes to be well informed. You will be surprised at how much you are receiving for your 42 cents a year.

Two new sections of the ANA were created. One for men nurses and the other for graduate staff nurses. The statement was made at one of the meetings, that there were more graduate staff nurses than private duty nurses. I do not know how authentic the statement is.

The study to compute the costs of nursing has been completed and the report is printed under the title "Administrative Cost Analysis for Nursing Service and Nursing Education."

Mrs. Scott reported that due to insufficient funds it was necessary to discontinue the work of an executive secretary for the Community Nursing Service.

The question of permitting colored nurses to join the ANA in the same manner as the Freedman's Hospital Alumnae, located in Washington D. C., was discussed. In many southern districts and states, colored nurses are not allowed to join and therefore cannot become members of the ANA. It was moved to refer the question to the board of directors of ANA asking them to work out some plan.

Lay membership in the ANA and its constituent units of membership was not recommended at this time.

The committee on State Board Problems have three projects under way:

1. A study of the use of cooperative tests for schools of nursing and state boards of nurse examiners.

2. A study preparatory to setting up minimum qualifications for members of the nursing school faculty.

3. Work with the state boards in adapting the League records for use in schools of nursing.

The question of membership in the ANA through the Alumnae Associations was discussed at length. No decision was reached.

Increasing dues to ANA 25c per capita was defeated, by 443 votes

against and 383 votes for it. The recommended changes in the by-laws were passed.

The convention theme was "Nursing in a Democracy." To give a few highlights: Dr. Fairchild of Bryn Mawr College urged the adoption of a Federal Health program, including some form of health insurance. Totalitarians say people want security before adventure and liberty.

Dr. Chevalier Jackson, inventor of the bronchoscope, asked for an educational campaign against "carelessness," which causes 85% of his cases.

"The public would be served more adequately if personnel were hired through a merit system and strict examination," declared Naomi Deutsch, Director of Nursing Service of the Children's Bureau.

All the nursing needs in a community must be met. If nurses do not do the job, other organized groups will. The welfare of the community as a whole takes precedence over any group within the community.

Nursing education must keep step with general education for women. As schools become better in their methods of teaching, the students will pay more of the cost. She will have more respect for her education and the school will have more money to pay graduate staff nurses. Have better selection of students and then help every student develop to her greatest capacity.

The first duty of the nurse in a Democracy is the perfection of her own personality.

Knowledge of Parliamentary Procedure is basic leadership in a Democracy. Educate for usefulness and we will find potential leaders in terms of action. Self-discipline and self-direction are needed by citizens in a Democracy.

Officers elected were: President, Major Julia Stimson. First Vice-Pres., Katherine Densford. Second Vice-Pres., Pearl McIver. Secretary, Mary Hickey. Treas., Emma Nichols. Directors, Elizabeth Soule, May Kennedy. San Francisco and Chicago have invited the Biennial for 1942. The Board of Directors will make the decision.

Ethelyn Peterson, Alumnae Delegate

WHO'S WHO

Among St. Luke's Nurses

MARGARET MATHIS, graduate of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing 1921. Before entering training she studied two summers at Illinois Normal University, then taught the elementary grades for three years in Woodford County, Ill., and three years in Emmet County, Iowa. Miss Mathis was also well versed in music and art; with seven years study of piano and one of violin, she became junior assistant to her teacher, who was associate director at Wesleyan Conservatory of Music, Bloomington, Ill. The following two years she taught music in her own studio at Estherville, Iowa, and attended the Art Institute of Chicago in the summer of 1914, obtaining a certificate to teach public school art.

After her graduation from St. Luke's in 1921, Miss Mathis practised private duty nursing for a year. In 1922 she went to California, where she became surgical assistant to Dr. W. B. Wright Jr., a specialist in E. E. N. & T. work, in Long Beach, and remained with him for four years.

In 1927 she studied at the U. C. L. A. to qualify for school nursing and in 1928 was offered the position of nurse inspector in the school health department of Los Angeles, in which department she still remains. During 1931-32 she was relief teacher in the Los Angeles high schools for Home Hygiene and First Aid. Since 1935 Miss Mathis has held a supervisory position in the department, and her work has included audiometer testing in L. A. C. schools for three years; since September 1939, health supervision of handicapped crippled children in two elementary and one high school; the Metropolitan H. S. and Frank Wiggins grade—the latter is for adults over sixteen years, with an enrollment of 2500—the former is a continuation school for adults, enrollment 400. The crippled schools have 600 students.

As a school nurse Miss Mathis' work includes: PTA clinic—one-half day a week, which includes various departments such as: E. N. T., surgery, allergy, endocrine, individual hearing tests on Tuesdays (also multiple testing in schools a roomful at a time with the 4A machine testing

forty at a time,) eye clinic refraction and pathology. She has been there for the past three years and this semester is with the skin and eye specialists on Mondays also. Health work in the adult schools includes lectures, first aid, social service, clinic advice and appointments, sick calls etc. Her school nursing requires much driving—2000 to 2500 miles a month. She also works with the medical examiner and Orthopedic surgeon, one day a week at Crippled Schools.

As an active member of the Red Cross, Miss Mathis serves when necessary. She worked full time at the Olympic Games—the Xth Olympiad held there and one week following the 1933 earthquake in Long Beach and Compton.

Their department has an annuity active after twenty years service and at age sixty—if one works twenty and then on until age sixty it is over \$100 a month; also state retirement is \$50 a month for thirty years service or proportionate part, if fifteen years or more service. They now have group health insurance with Physicians and Surgeons of California Health Service, if desired at \$30 a year, which includes illness, hospital and surgery service.

Miss Mathis' academic work includes: completion of work at college for supervisor of attendance and supervisor of special work credentials and is now on her last six units for B. A. degree and will graduate in June. She majored in Social Sciences and History, making her eligible for social service work. Her minor credits include twelve complete units of public speaking and another minor in hygiene. She holds a public health nurse, life and development state credentials for high school teaching, credential for Home Hygiene and First Aid teaching in Los Angeles high schools and has had practice teaching in U. C. L. A. She also holds a teachers card in Red Cross First Aid.

Organization activities: Member of Unit No. 5 (California public health unit) NOPHN and District No. 5 (California Nurses.) Has served on the education committee for the council of School Nurses and on the salary committee for the last three years. She is a charter member of Alpha Tau Delta—Zeta Chapter, U. S. C.

and was social chairman and president of A. D. T.

PRIVATE DUTY NEWS

A benefit card party was given by the private duty nurses April 5th on Main 12 at St. Luke's. The money was used to help pay for a delegate to the biennial convention in Philadelphia. Miss Mary Everett was unanimously elected at the April meeting to represent this group.

The Fifth Annual Institute sponsored by the Private Duty Nurse's Section of the First District Illinois State Nurse's Association was held March 28th and 29th, at Mercy and Billings Memorial Hospitals.

The total attendance amounted to 1,325 and the proceeds from registration to \$315.15. The proceeds from each institute go into the District account under "Institute Fund" and are used to further projects of interest to all nurses.

Among the outstanding lectures on the newer developments in nursing and medicine were "Pneumonia and the New Developments in the Treatment" by Dr. George Hellmuth; "Bronchoscopy" by Dr. Paul Hollinger; "Some Observations in Experimental Hibernation Treatment of Hopeless Metastatic Carcinoma Cases" by Dr. Arkell Vaughan; and "Emotional Factors in General Nursing" by Dr. David Slight of the Psychiatric Department of the University of Chicago.

These institutes are held annually at the different Chicago Hospitals with their cooperation for the benefit of those nurses who wish to progress in their profession. Opportunity is given to hear the leaders in the various fields of medicine, surgery and nursing and see demonstrations of new procedures and review those always used in the care of the patient. Support should be given by every private duty nurse in the district.

Clara I. Bollinger,

Director of private duty and hourly nursing service, of First District, ISNA.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

St. Luke's nurses seen at the biennial convention were: Harriet Fulmer '95, Adda Eldredge '99, Agnes Martin '04, Maud Gooch '06, Ella Best '15, Harriet Young '15, Madeleine McConnell '17, Nell Beeby '19, Maragret Wyne '21, Mary Everett '21, Henrietta Froehlke '22, Ethelyn Peterson, '22, Otilia Janata '25, Ann L. Jones Laird '31 and Georgianna Kelly '34.

PUBLIC HEALTH NEWS

Living to be eighty years of age is quite a common experience now in Illinois. According to the State Health Department about one eighth or 12% of all persons have the prospect of surviving until this age. This is quite impressive when we consider that in 1860 only 12% of the population lived to be fifty.

South Carolina is the second state in the union to add birth control to its public health program. They will employ a qualified public health nurse, with experience in the south, as a

"consultant nurse in pregnancy spacing." This nurse will also help to organize county units. Any married woman who is unable to afford the service and who presents a certificate from a physician saying she is in need of it will be eligible for care.

This year dentistry celebrates its hundredth anniversary. The charter for the first dental school in the world was granted by Maryland to the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, February 1, 1940. The first Dental Society was founded August, 1840. These steps changed the status of dentistry from a craft to a profession.

The national committee on Red Cross nursing service is attempting to create a Malinde Havey Memorial in memory of Malinde Havey, National director of the Public Health Nursing Service. This memorial will be in the form of a loan fund to help Red Cross nurses to meet unusual financial arrangements as illness or further education. The money will be loaned without interest. Inquireies may be addressed to DeWitt Smith, American Red Cross, Washington D. C.

Dorothy Adams.

FROM THE EDITOR

While the keynote of the convention was "Nursing in a Democracy," it seemed to us, after attending meetings of every description, embracing different branches of nursing, that the underlying spirit was the need for better informed nurses; informed not only in their own particular line of work, but a broader, basic knowledge of the how and why—especially why—the various organizations function.

Parent organizations can furnish information, but they cannot digest knowledge for the individual, anymore than a patient can recover who does not put forth some effort himself. This is a very critical time for nursing, and if nurses themselves do not solve the problems, someone else will, and perhaps not to their advantage.

Nurses ask where they can obtain information on various subjects; or state that they have never heard of such matters; it must be something new. They look aghast, when one mentions that dues must be raised

again, and ask why the district, state and national organizations need money and question what becomes of it, which of course is right, because at least they have awakened enough to be curious.

National Headquarters has information of all kinds, which they have obtained partially through surveys, (so helpfully filled out by nurses when asked), but mostly through digging by the staff. State headquarters is always able to help on state problems etc. But information is best obtained thru active participation by the nurse on committees, boards and in meetings where discussion is heard on budgets with their attendant financial problems; on important legislation; where parliamentary procedure facilitates business. There are so many problems vital to the nursing profession and so many factors detrimental to it, that it behooves each and everyone to become better educated and informed on nursing affairs.

REQUIREMENTS OF ST. LUKE'S PRIVATE DUTY NURSES

FOR THE FIRST TWO YEARS OUT OF TRAINING: The nurse is expected to register and accept any shift for which she is called and any type of case for which she is adequately prepared.

EQUIPMENT: to be carried with her: rectal and mouth thermometers, scissors, hypodermic syringe and needles, a watch with second hand, annual state registration card, bill forms (may be purchased at registry for 15c).

SUGGESTIONS TO NURSES ON ALL SHIFTS

Do unto the nurse who follows you, as you would have the nurse who precedes you, do unto you.

ALL NURSES — REPORT ON TIME! BE GOOD HOUSEKEEPERS AS WELL AS GOOD NURSES. BE A ROOM HOUND, NOT A CORRIDOR HOUND — REMEMBER THAT CONVERSATIONS IN THE CORRIDORS ARE HEARD WITHIN A PATIENT'S ROOM!

Clean up your own dressing trays and dishes in the pantry!

Cooperate with the head nurse. Would you like to take on her job?

Remove all equipment, medicine and nourishment glasses during your shift.

Empty waste basket — straighten patient's room and bath room.

Add a fresh record sheet for the next nurse.

DAY NURSES 7 to 3

Order surgical supplies, intravenous equipment, medications etc. This is the organizing shift and upon your good management depends the smooth running of the case.

Mark the supper menu as carefully as if you were going to serve it.

SHIFT NURSE 3 to 11

Try to get intravenous finished and other treatments completed before H.S.

Have intern write narcotic orders so the night nurse will not need to call. Check medications that may be needed during the night, before the pharmacy closes.

Take flowers out of room and if possible have patient ready for the night.

NIGHT NURSE 11 to 7

Daily care of flowers—even though not able to take into patient's room.

Clean bathroom — put out clean towels and soap.

Wash pitcher and drinking glasses with soap and water.

Check medications and send down empty bottles and boxes for refilling.

Letter From First District Board to Alumnae President

"Just one year ago, at the urgent request of many members, First District, Illinois State Nurses Association arranged for a policy covering Accident and Health and Hospital Insurance for its members. The Continental Casualty Company plan was chosen because of its financial backing and reputation.

Members who are not already protected with this type of insurance are urged to consider the benefits offered by such coverage.

Applications may be obtained from First District Headquarters or direct from the Continental Casualty Company, 122 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago,"

Yours sincerely,
Frances L. A. Powell, R.N.
Secretary.

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An Assurance of Loyalty

With understanding of and the belief in the aims and purposes of the Alumnae Association of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, I do solemnly affirm, that I will enter into and aid in its work and that I will endeavor, by my daily life and service, to honor always the profession of which I am a member.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Future Alumnae Meetings October 15 and November 19, 1940

The October Alumnae meeting will be an interesting and important one. Mrs. Lieber, well-known parliamentarian, will help us with the customs and usages of parliamentary procedures. This in turn will make the business sessions more interesting, because everyone can take part in discussion. Mrs. Lieber will hold your interest and make you laugh in spite of your fear of being bored. You must come and meet her on Main 12 at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 15th.

Annual State Convention

The annual meeting of the Illinois State Nurses' Association will be held October 17, 18, 19 at the Palmer House, Chicago. Some of the speakers will be: Dr. Horace Bridges, Dr. Earl E. Kleinschmidt, Mrs. Saidie Orr Dunbar, Mrs. Bertita Harding, Miss Alice A. Boyd, Miss Ruth Sleeper, Miss Madeleine McConnell, Miss Rebecca Pond, Miss Ella Best. See your State Bulletin for full program.

Send Change of Addresses to—

Miss Rosellyn Kelly, 426 Surf St., Chicago, who has taken over the addressing of the Journals, following the resignation of Mrs. Meldgard. This is a hard job and requires much time and expenditure of energy and patience. If it means anything to you to receive your Journal on time and in good condition, then remember that all changes or new addresses must be sent to the proper persons. We are no longer mind readers and the post-office refuses to forward second class mail, so please cooperate. May we extend our sincere appreciation and thanks to Mrs. Meldgard for her two and one-half years of service in the capacity of addresser of Journals.

How Are the Round-robins Coming?

Has any class started one yet? The editors will be glad to help any one

start the ball rolling.

Has anyone ideas for the Journal? We are always glad to receive new ideas that will help or interest other graduates. We want your cooperation in news items, especially from out-of-town members whom we cannot contact personally.

New Executive Secretary of the I.S.N.A.

Miss Charlotte Landt, graduate of the School of Nursing of Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, assumed her new duties July 15th, following the resignation of Miss Edith Bergquist. Miss Landt's wide experience in administrative work in the nursing field, as well as her service on alumnae, district and state boards, well qualify her for her present position.

Correspondence with Alumnae Officers

When it is necessary to correspond with any of the Alumnae officers on business, please note carefully the latest changes on the front cover of the Journal. Many times letters are sent to the former officers, which in turn necessitates further delay and expense in mailing. If your business is urgent, then make sure to whom you are writing.

Scholarship Fund

A \$50 scholarship is available to private duty nurses of First District. The qualifications are being sent to each hospital for bulletin boards. Nurses interested are urged to fill out their applications and mail to Clara Bollinger, Director of private duty nursing of First District.

The September issue of the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING contains a very fine article on "Tentative Code of Ethics for Nurses."

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THE THREE MUSKETEERS

To Miss Helen E. McNab, Miss Annie Lawrie, and Miss Maud Gooch, we dedicate the October 1940 Alumnae Journal. To these three staunch and loyal friends of St. Luke's Alumnae Association and St. Luke's Hospital, members of the association owe much of the success of the organization. Many rough spots and difficult situations have been ironed out by each of them in their years of faithful service—service which has always been given whole-heartedly and with sympathy and understanding. They have upheld the Alumnae pledge in full.

Helen McNab, Annie Lawrie, Maud Gooch — we salute you!

THE MARCH OF TIME

1894

Teresa Bartle spent several weeks this summer with Mrs. Armour near Traverse City.

1896

Dog bites lady! This lady was our poor hard working Annie Lawrie, who was walking her dog one day near her home, when another dog unleashed, decided to take a nip at her leg and not only a nip, but a good hard bite right out of the spot Miss Lawrie has been trying so hard to cure for some years. But after a spell of "laying up" at St. Luke's during the heat wave with hot formentations on her whole right leg, she recovered enough to be able to go home for further recuperation. She spent the month of September at "La Fonda," Harbert, Mich., as the guest of Maud Gooch. In September she visited friends in Elizabeth, N.J., and other eastern points.

Kathryn Gruber motored to New York in July, visiting the Fair and Washington, enroute.

1899

May D. Collins and her sister enjoyed a delightful trip on their way to their summer home, Ragged Edge, at Pointe au Baril, Ontario, Canada. They were accompanied as far as the Soo by Marjorie Reid.

1901

Mrs. John B. Tracy (Grace Critchell) has returned to Chicago after spending the summer at a camp in Wisconsin. While there she suffered a fractured leg, but is now recovered from her injury.

1905

Dr. and Mrs. Hoyne (May Williams) took a motor trip around the Great Lakes, through Canada and the north shore of Lake Huron. While in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, they visited their recently married daughter who lives there.

1905

Helen McNab had a slight accident while helping a friend down some steps. But with only a bone in the wrist chipped, she is now as good as ever.

Christine Udell opened her dress shop in Detroit on August 25th. Her many friends wish her success in her new venture.

1906

Maud Gooch spent her vacation in September at her cottage "La Fonda" where she held "open house" to many St. Luke's nurses.

1908

Margaret Bulkley of St. Mary's School, Peekskill on the Hudson, spent the summer as assistant to Mable Tompkins at Arden Shore Camp, Lake Bluff. Later she went to Kalamazoo, Mich., before returning to the east.

Hettie Gooch spent her vacation at her cottage "La Fonda," Harbert, Mich., enjoying a rest from her duties as Health and Social Director at St. Luke's.

Mrs. Francis Blake Lynch spent the month of August visiting friends in Chicago. She lives in Huntington Park, Calif.

1912

Mary J. Horn recently received a Bachelor of Law degree from John Marshall College of Jersey City, N.Y.

1913

Miss Lulu Dilge spent her vacation in Hamilton, Ohio.

1914

Elsa Ahrenlof has been engrossed all summer in building a house near Escanaba, Mich. She is now a near neighbor of Blanche Traude, who also has a summer place there.

1915

Miss Attalee Buckingham spent a few days in Chicago returning to Salt Lake City by way of California.

Mrs. W. F. Hebard (Eleanor Conrad) has been ill for the past several months at her home in Evanston.

Lena Jacobs spent a few days this summer as the guest of Mildred Mihill near St. Joseph, Mich.

1917

Miss Madeleine McConnell, Director of Nursing and Nursing Service at St. Luke's Hospital, spent the month of August with her mother at St. Joseph, Mich.

1918

Miss Elsa Rudolph visited her sister in Hemet, Calif., during her vacation in August.

Florence Drake spent several weeks in the east this summer; she fished—

and caught some—also visited the scene of the hurricane disaster on Fisher's Island.

1919

Edith Schlageter, who has been on the staff at Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles, Cal., for the past five years, visited her home at Ottawa, Ill., and celebrated her mother's 80th birthday in July. She spent a few days as the guest of Becky Riley and Anne Smeltzer in Chicago, and expected to drive back to California the end of July.

Mrs. Edith Beyers Heath spent August in Chicago. She now lives in Harbor Point, Mich.

1920

Mrs. Elfreda Tempte Schaffer of Temple, Texas, was a visitor at St. Luke's this summer with her fifteen year old daughter.

1921

Helen Ray Ferril of Denver, Colo., writes that she and Mr. Ferril have purchased a small cottage in the mountains where they enjoy the scenic beauties there. Helen is a very busy woman, and one of her occupations is being editor of "The Rocky Mountain Herald," which is the oldest weekly paper in Denver, being in its 80th year. Mr. Ferril's father was formerly editor. We know Helen is doing a fine job.

Mary Orbison, who does school nursing in Appleton, Wis., relieved Irene Stolp in the Social Service Department at St. Luke's for the summer vacation. Irene attended the summer session at Columbia University.

Eloise Vail Pitkin of Long Island, N.Y., visited relatives and friends at her old home, St. Joseph, Mich., for several weeks during July.

Fannie Shellman of Kalamazoo, Mich., visited Mary Everett for several days in July.

Beatrice Blodgett spent two weeks visiting Monna VanKooy in Madison, Wis., during August.

Ruth Sackett spent her vacation in July with her mother in northern Michigan.

The Alumnae Association extends sympathy to Mildred Meeks Childs, of River Forest, Ill., whose husband, T. W. Childs, passed away early in September.

1922

Miss Ethelyn Peterson, president of St. Luke's Alumnae Association, and Elizabeth Breitung, '32, who is one of the surgical staff at St. Luke's, motored to Mexico in September.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Meldgard (Ruth Moe) enjoyed a tour of the New England states and Canadian country during June and part of July; after which they spent the remainder of their vacation at their summer cottage in Canada. While there, Mary Hind, Mr. and Mrs. Kipp (Ellen Rattle) were guests of the Meldgards for several days.

1923

Miss Verna Hancock received her B.S. degree on June 7th from George Peabody College for Teachers.

1924

Dr. and Mrs. A. Anderson (Julia Ballwanz) of Harvey, Ill., have purchased a new summer home at Grand Haven, Mich. The family are enjoying it immensely and it is near enough for Dr. Anderson to commute for the week ends. Lorraine Ostrom, '25, and Millie Stahl, '21, were guests of Julia's for a few days.

Helen Benjamin who has been on a sabbatical leave the past year from her position at Nellore, South India, returned there July 15th. She visited her home in Brookfield, Ill., during part of her leave.

Avis Van Lew who is instructor in Nursing Arts at Touro Infirmary, New Orleans, La., spent her vacation at her home in Axtell, Kan., and visiting in Chicago.

Josephine Gilbert received her B.S. degree from Teachers College, Columbia in June and resumed her position at St. Luke's August 1st.

Rose Stettler entertained eighteen guests at a weinie roast July 9th at her home which she has recently purchased on the southwest side of Chicago. All guests reported an evening of fun and enjoyment. Two were guests of honor, Helen Benjamin of India and Avis Van Lew of New Orleans.

1925

Barbara Janata, who is Director of Nursing at New Rochelle Hospital, New Rochelle, N.Y., received her M.A. degree from Teachers College, Columbia, in June. She spent a few days in Chicago in July.

Clara Bollinger has recently acquired a small farm, "Rock Bottom" near Galena, Ill. It is an interesting as well as historical place and guests are assured a quiet vacation there.

1926

Helen Beck Fiske spent a week in July at "the farm" near Springfield with her daughter Joan, and also visited in Detroit, Mich., for a short time.

1928

Marcelline Drill accompanied by her sister, enjoyed visiting in Philadelphia, New York and the Fair, then on to Washington, during the early part of September.

Edith Couzens who has been spending the summer at "Tanglewood," Central Lake, Mich., writes what a lovely restful place it is. Even during the warmest weather, a fire in the fireplace and blankets at night were enjoyed. She also tells of nursing a friend in the lovely, new modern hospital in Petoskey where Dr. Burns, a St. Luke's Intern in 1923 is head of it. The hospital is in a lovely restful location, with rooms facing Grand Traverse Bay and at the edge of town. It is fireproof and has very fine equipment; a capacity of 63 beds and full all the time. Nurses from all over Michigan have charge. Edith also visited a short time at Mackinac Island. She sends her regards to everyone.

1928

Miss E. Joanne Heintz reports a very enjoyable vacation spent in the Minnesota lake region as the guest of her brother at Fergus Falls. A 1,000-mile motor trip was part of the trip which carried her through Minnesota and Iowa. Miss Heintz is still with the Home Owners Loan Corporation of Chicago as nurse in charge of their First Aid Unit. She reports that she enjoys her work there very much, and that the five years have gone by very rapidly. She is also attending Loyola University where she is working toward her degree in Nursing which she will receive soon.

1929

Mable Wirsching is doing general duty nursing at Yreka, Cal.

Rosemary Scott spent several weeks visiting her mother near Pittsburgh in August.

Mrs. Chas. Dillar (Celia Johnson) visited Rosemary Scott and other friends at St. Luke's August 9th.

The Alumnae Association extends sympathy to Ruth Weber McCarthy, whose mother passed away very suddenly after an accident from which she did not rally.

Ethel Bloomquist received her Ph.B degree from Loyola University on June 15th, 1940.

1930

Kathryn Beauchat spent six weeks attending summer school at Chicago University this year.

1931

Catherine Myers Colton of New York City visited her sister, Elma Myers in Chicago for a week in August. She enjoyed a short trip about the hospital viewing the many changes since she had left.

Marie Klein attended the University of Minnesota this summer.

Mary McAllister Silver of Papikow, Hawaii, was back in the States for the first time in eight years during July. She spent a short time visiting around St. Luke's.

Gertrude Seipman motored to California by way of Yellowstone and Yosemite National Parks, after spending several months in and about Chicago. She accepted a position on the staff at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Hollywood, Cal.

Congratulations are extended to Mrs. Ann L. Jones Laird, who was made Director of Nursing at the University of Illinois Research and Educational Hospital on July 1st, 1940. They are opening a new building which will be called the "Neuro-Surgical Center" the first of the year. This building will have 54 beds and Mrs. Laird will also have charge of this. She and her husband spent their vacation during the month of July at her old home in Monticello, Ill.

Edith Snow spent the summer as nurse in a camp for cardiacs. She returned in September to St. Luke's where she is on the staff there.

1932

Alice Ochsenschlager Lomax and husband have moved from Chicago to Storrs, Conn., where Mr. Lomax has a position teaching in the University of Connecticut.

Josephine Council Patelski of Seattle, Wash., visited her family in Au-

rora, Ill., in September and also spent several days with friends in Chicago.

Ruby Crocker spent the summer in Harbor Springs, Mich., where she was caring for a patient.

Nellie Ivarson Graham visited in Chicago and at St. Luke's late in September.

Mae Lee who has been practicing private duty in Reno, Nevada, spent her vacation at her home in Iowa and about Chicago, during July.

1933

On July 15th, the class of 1933 enjoyed a supper party together. Those present from out of town were Barbara Blakley from Florida and Polly Krause from Harvey, Ill. Barbara told of some interesting work that she was doing in migrant camps, part of the year in New Jersey and part in Florida.

Mrs. Ruth Britt Scherping from Manitowoc, Wis., visited in Chicago and Blue Island for a few days. A party was given in her honor on August 15th, by Betty Kintner and Amanda Griffith.

The Alumnae Association extends sympathy to Adeline Kroncke, whose brother passed away suddenly in August, at Madison, Wis.

Lillian Olson spent several weeks in June visiting Sadie Rock Olson in Boston, Mass.

Mary Ann Harrington, who is doing private duty nursing in San Francisco, Cal., writes that she had a month's vacation in the Bitterroot mountains of Idaho and enjoyed every minute of it swimming, fishing and hiking.

Barbara Blakely spent the summer with her sister at Northwestern University.

1934

Adelyn Wettstein who practiced private duty nursing for several years after graduation, now has a position with the International Harvester Co. and finds it a very nice change.

Marie Tener is attending the University of Minnesota this year on a scholarship fund.

Doris Olson who is a nurse with the U.S. Navy, is at Hawaii.

Irene Nelson is attending the University of Minnesota this year.

1935

Kathryn Cullen Opal of Richmond, Ind., visited friends in Chicago in August.

Evelyn Lillge Wurster and her husband, Dr. Wurster of Idaho, visited

friends in Chicago and St. Luke's late in August.

Gladys Stoner visited in Chicago this summer. She teaches practical nursing at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, Mo.

Elsie Havens Blue and her husband spent the summer in Cortland, Ill., having flown from Alaska. The Alumnae extends sympathy to Mrs. Blue whose mother passed away shortly after her arrival home.

Margaret Beto Morris was a visitor at St. Luke's in July.

1936

August Heldt, who was ill for several weeks following a severe throat infection, is again back on the staff at St. Luke's.

1937

Bernice Neidlinger is doing general duty nursing in California.

Shirley Rierson spent her vacation in the Black Hills, S.D. She is surgical night supervisor at St. Luke's.

Elizabeth Anderson resigned from St. Luke's Hospital staff of general duty nurses in August to accept a position with the Rock Island Railroad as stewardess on "the Rocket," which runs from Chicago to Denver.

Isabell Seblom resigned her position in a Detroit hospital and is in Chicago.

1938

Maureen Becker, who spent the winter in California where she did general duty nursing, has returned to Chicago and is practicing private duty.

Naomi Swem spent a month's vacation in August visiting her family in South Bend, Ind., and her sister in Marion, Ohio.

Elizabeth Feeney left the first of September for San Francisco, Cal., where she has accepted a position in the University Hospital doing general duty nursing.

1939

Marie Foss, who did general duty at St. Luke's and private duty since graduation, has been accepted as stewardess by the American Airline Company. She attended their school in New York for six weeks in July.

Jane Bradshaw spent the summer at Wequetonsia, Mich., with a patient.

1940

Theodora Larson, who has been practicing private duty at St. Luke's since graduation, has accepted a position with the United Airlines as stewardess.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BRIDES AND GROOMS

1925

The wedding of Miss Katherine L. Beck and Mr. William W. Gray was solemnized on Wednesday, June 12, 1940, at 11 o'clock, at the Church of the Holy Cross in Tryon, N.C. The ceremony was performed by the rector, the Rev. Mr. Charles L. McGavern. The bride was given in marriage by her mother, Mrs. Herbert Beck.

The bride wore a delphinium coat suit with a panel of white on the coat embroidered in blue. Her corsage was of white orchids and blue delphinium. She was attended by her sisters, Miss Margaret Beck as maid of honor and Miss Gertrude Beck, who both were dressed in picture hats and flowered print dresses. The Swedish Wedding March by Soderman and the Norwegian Wedding March by Grieg were played by a friend of the bride and groom.

The church was attractively decorated in ivy, blue delphinium, white gladioli and Easter lilies.

After the ceremony, a wedding breakfast was held at the home of the bride's mother in Pacolet Hills. Here also the decorations of delphinium, pink and blue larkspur, baby's breath, roses, azaleas, and gladioli were used effectively.

After a wedding trip to Charleston, Atlanta, and Myrtle Beach, S.C., Mr. and Mrs. Gray returned to Tryon, N.C., where they will make their home.

1927

Miss Emma Gross announces her marriage to Mr. Albert G. Richardson, on July 31, 1940. They spent their honeymoon in Three Lakes, Mich. At home 1347 N. Dearborn, Chicago, Ill.

1929

Celia Napicinski announces her marriage to Mr. R. G. Links on June 24.

1931

Helen Schilling was married to Mr. H. W. Burke. At home 420 Hawthorne, Oakland, Cal.

1935

Miss Gertrude Grbac was married to Dr. Dunn early in August, 1940.

The marriage of Miss Margaret Beto to Mr. Y. O. Morris is announced.
1937

Miss Thelma Corby announces her marriage to Dr. Howard Clark in Grace Church, on August 17, 1940.

Miss Margaret Freckleton was married to Mr. Watson Barger on July 20, 1940. At home in Chicago.

1938

The marriage of Miss Marvel Barclay to Mr. Harry Hopkins on August 16, 1940, is announced. At home in Chicago.

Eunice Hawke was married to Mr. S. W. Levander June 29, 1940. At home in Chicago.

1939

Miss Helen J. Printup was married to Mr. C. Quinn June 19, 1940. At home in Genoa, Ill.

Miss Catherine Snyder was married to Mr. William Bister late in July, 1940, at a home wedding in Indiana. They reside in Chicago.



RECENT ARRIVALS

1928

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Elliott (Margaret Lunbeck) announce the birth of a daughter on June 25, 1940, at Gary, Ind.

1929

The birth of a daughter, Suzanne Claire, on July 17, 1940, is announced by Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Sullivan (Madge Heintz) of Freeport, Ill. The little girl is a welcome playmate for a son, William Joseph, now 4½ years old.

1930

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Peters (Florence Klein) are parents of an 8 lb. son born on June 28, 1940. They reside at 180 Franklin Ave., Oshkosh, Wis.

1932

Mr. and Mrs. H. Remakil (Evangeline Nemetz) are parents of a son born in June, 1940.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Nyefeldt (Jolenta Tomchek) are parents of a son born June 6, 1940.

1933

Mr. and Mrs. Fisher (Pauline Reniff) are parents of a daughter born September 1, 1940.

Mr. and Mrs. Catron (Harriet Divet) are parents of a daughter born August 26, 1940.

1934

Mr. and Mrs. Narva (Julia Ahola) announce the birth of a daughter on September 20th at St. Luke's.

1936

Dr. and Mrs. Rumel (Evangeline Dougherty) announce the birth of a daughter at St. Luke's on September 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Eckerle (Janet Cozad) of Kansas City, Mo., announce the birth of a baby girl in September.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Greene (Jane Kohler) are parents of a son born in June at Los Angeles, Cal.

1937

Mr. and Mrs. James Goodwin (Elsie Nielson) of Malden, Mass., announce the birth of a baby girl early this summer.

RED CROSS MEETING

September 17, 1940

The annual Red Cross Meeting of the St. Luke's Alumnae Association was held in September instead of November as a stimulus to the recruiting of members for the Red Cross Nursing Service. Four hundred twenty-five return post cards were sent out asking for a check-up on membership in the Red Cross. One hundred and thirty cards were returned and fifty-three members of the alumnae association were found to be members of the Red Cross. It is hoped that all cards will be returned so that we may have up-to-date information on our Red Cross membership.

The Red Cross meeting was well attended with the student Class Divisions 1940 B-1941A as guests of honor. Four Red Cross Nurses, Miss Saline, Mrs. Dace, Miss Eschenbach and Miss Kilgas, in the uniform of the Red Cross, served as ushers and gave out application blanks and information regarding membership.

The American Flag, the Red Cross Flag and the Unit 14 Flag, served as vivid reminders of the purpose of the meeting and the singing of patriotic songs under the leadership of Miss Margaret McArdle, well expressed the spirit of the audience.

Miss Madeleine McConnell spoke most effectively of the graduate nurses' responsibility in joining the Red Cross and assisting in its work, both in peace and war. Mr. Phillip Dodd of the Red Cross gave a most interesting account of the extent and work of the Red Cross. Following his talk, Mr. Dodd showed the motion picture, "Mobilizing for Mercy," which vitalized his preceding talk.

Following the meeting, refreshments were served for which Miss Lawsha was responsible. The tea table was beautifully decorated with a cute pair of red, white and blue flowers donated by Miss Margaret Davis, a senior student. Candles, napkins and refreshments repeated the red, white and blue color scheme.

Great enthusiasm was expressed by a number attending the meeting. It is hoped that this enthusiasm will materialize in a greater enrollment by alumnae members in the Red Cross Nursing Service.

Hettie Gooch, Chairman,

Red Cross Membership Com.

RECIPIENTS OF SCHOLARSHIPS

The Scholarship and Educational Loan Committee with the St. Luke's Alumnae Board have selected the four following applicants for 1940-1941 scholarships of \$150.00 each for one quarter's work:

(1) Miss Agatha Pape, class 1934, who will continue with her work at the University of Chicago in the Department of Nursing and is majoring in Public Health Nursing.

(2) Miss Eleanor Maguire, class 1934, who received her Ph.B. Education from Loyola University in June, 1940, will attend the Syracuse University and major in Public Health Nursing—graduate work.

(3) Miss Irene Stolp, class 1921, attending Teachers College, Columbia University for the summer of 1940. She is majoring in Nursing Education.

(4) Miss F. Pauline Gesner, class 1934, will attend Teachers College, Columbia University, this fall and is majoring in Nursing Education.

Ada Blumer, Chairman,
Scholarship and Educational
Loan Committee



As this goes to press, no doubt many of you will know that the Guild this year thought it best to give you all a chance for your generous donations. Last year the sum of \$621 was raised by voluntary contributions. Still many members did not contribute—many gave generously. We were all pleased with the results, which, added to our sum in the bank makes the total up to date \$2700.

We are now selling chances on a Ford auto at 50 cents per chance. Think of the number you will be able to buy for \$3.50! Am sure most of us will be able to take a book to sell to our lay friends.

If you will take a book of 20 chances to sell—get in touch with the President, Miss Naomi Swem, 420 Surf St., or Maud Gooch at St. Luke's Hospital. It will be optional whether you take the auto or not, IF YOU WIN. Otherwise you will receive the money to be used as you please.

N. Swem, President

In our five years of existence we have given nursing care to 31 nurses to the amount of \$1786. IS NOT THIS A WORTHWHILE CAUSE?

We are anxious to have the younger graduates join the Guild. There are no annual dues—just send \$1.00 for life membership to Maud Gooch. Everyone is eligible for care if critically ill.

Maud Gooch, Treasurer

LONG TERM PLANS FOR ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL

Tentative plans have been made by St. Luke's Hospital in cooperation with the Public Relations department to increase the bed capacity of the hospital by some additional building and by utilizing the present buildings. As stated in the plans, this can be done by: (1) Building a new nurses' home which would house nurses and technicians now housed in the various buildings. Its construction would assure St. Luke's Training School that it would continue to have a grade A rating and licensing from educational authorities.

(2) A Service building of 12 floors between the Main and Smith buildings which would provide direct and easy connections between the buildings and would house centralized administrative offices, store rooms, kitchen, etc.; physical and occupational therapy departments; central sterilizing room; quarters for internes and residents and possibly some medical services. This building would free many of the floors in the Main building for the use of patients, which could then be converted into wards or low priced private and semi-private services.

(3) A new Out-Patient department building is needed to adequately care for the now badly crowded quarters. Probable location would be on Indiana Avenue north of the Main building now occupied by parts of Stickney House and the old hospital.

Summary of plans.

The hospital would have 650 beds plus bassinets.

The hospital would house 425 nurses.

The hospital would house about 70 internes.

The hospital would have an efficient and modern plant of fire-proof construction.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS ITEMS

The George Smith Memorial Building of St. Luke's Hospital again stands forth in all its pristine beauty—a deep toned red brick building, since the new process of cleansing has been used. After several weeks of refurbishing it appears to have weathered the storms of 32 years with scarcely a blemish. A coating of dark

green paint on the window frames and black on the structural iron work, adds much to its appearance.

The Neurological Unit has a new Inducto-therm cabinet, operated by an experienced fever-therapist. Thus it is possible to treat many patients for specific constitutional diseases. Frequently patients arrange to be admitted only for the treatment which requires six to eight hours in the cabinet and complete bed rest for twelve to eighteen hours.

The St. Luke's Hospital operating mask has recently been adopted by the Canadian Medical Services after considerable research and study of it by Dr. Edward Archibald, Director General of Medical Services of Canada in the War. It is being made up in thousands by the Canadian Red Cross and he states: "I am most grateful. The masks are doing their bit overseas in the war."

Main 13 will be opened about October 1st as an infirmary for the School of Nursing. On the same floor will be a nursing arts laboratory with supply rooms.

The following members of the 1940 graduating class were recipients of the annual awards given them:

Miss Dorothy Willits—THE MR. CHARLES H. SCHWEPPE HONOR AWARD to the most outstanding nurse in Psychiatric nursing.

Miss Mary Freesh—THE MRS. CHARLES H. MORSE HONOR AWARD to the student who ranks as the most outstanding "all round" nurse.

Miss Marye Voituk—AN ANONYMOUS AWARD to the student who demonstrates excellence in bedside nursing.

Miss Helen Renkes—THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL AWARD to the student showing outstanding ability as an operating nurse.

Mrs. Marguerite Saxe—THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL AWARD to the most outstanding nurse in pediatric nursing.

Miss Winifred Holtkamp — THE HARRIET FULMER PRIZE to the student in the graduating class with the highest scholastic standing.

"A Great Grandmother Remembers"—an autobiography by Addie Hibbard Gregory. This book covers eighty years of Chicago history, of Prairie Avenue and its early families; of the original Grace Church as well as the present; of the early days of St. Luke's Hospital to its latest buildings. Everyone who reads it is charmed by it.

From the Editor

ARE CONVENTIONS OF ANY VALUE?

One may ask, Why do some nurses become "convention hounds"? What are the benefits derived by the nurse who attends yearly? Is such a meeting important enough that she attend during her hours or afternoon off duty, or forego an evening's entertainment elsewhere? Is it important enough for a nurse to remain off call for several days from the registry, or if she is chosen as a delegate, to sacrifice two or three days pay on a case while she has relief?

Say that there are no tangible benefits derived from the above sacrifices but accept the fact that stimulation results from any large gathering of people with the same interests, the same problems to be solved. There is that sympathetic bond of understanding and desire for the opinions of others.

At a state convention held once a year, your business and mine is brought out into the light; discussed and action taken. It is here that nurses as individuals have an opportunity to gain a knowledge of the relationship between alumnae, district, state and national organizations. It is here that the choice of officers and board members is made and that in itself is a matter of some concern, since they are the ones who more or less outline our policies—the budgeting of funds, the guidance of legislative affairs,

regulation and raising of standards of hospitals and nursing schools. Attendance at a session of the House of Delegates soon gives one an understanding of the importance of individual interest and participation.

Each section holds its own open meetings for business which cannot be settled by committees, with speakers whose subjects are of particular interest to the section. The general luncheon and evening meetings are exceptionally interesting, not alone for information one receives pertaining to nursing, but also because of the stimulating uplift that a forceful speaker can bring to a group.

In summary then we might say that a convention is of value to those who realize how essential it is to keep posted and in step with developments in the nursing world, since affairs are moving just as fast here as in any profession. It is only by constant watchfulness and clear insight that we can be "on our toes" and ready for whatever happens.

Remember too that committees have spent long hours in preparation for this joint meeting and if only in respect to them, it would be gratifying to feel that everyone who could possibly come would be at the Palmer House, October 17-18-19.

THE CHALLENGE IN STAFF NURSING

The General Duty or Hospital Staff Nursing Field as a whole is a most interesting one, particularly when viewed from both the employer's standpoint and that of the individual nurse. I have had the rare opportunity to see it from both sides during the last two years and a half as a Vocational Assistant under Miss Anna L. Tittman, Executive Director, NURSE PLACEMENT SERVICE, Chicago, and am most happy to be asked to present my impressions.

But please understand that that which is set down here are more than just impressions, indeed they are cold facts, drawn from some hundreds of personal interviews and the efforts in the adjusting the problems of both the individual nurse and the Directors of Schools of Nursing or Nursing Services throughout the country.

The average young nurse who has just completed her period of training of three years is usually prepared immediately for two main fields of nursing, that of private duty or as a general duty or staff nurse. We are assuming that her school having graduated her is most willing to give her an adequate recommendation for graduation experience in any one of the various branches of the general duty field, in her own hospital, or happy to have her go elsewhere and carry on

the fine tradition of thorough preparation given by her home school. In short every nurse graduated is somewhat an ambassador at large who advertises every hour of theoretical and practical instruction as well as personal guidance in her individual problems of adjustment and personality, given her by every instructress, supervisor and head nurse during her total period of training.

She should come then to a professional placement service as a finished product, so to speak, having acquired the basic principles necessary to enable her to take her chosen place in the world. Need I repeat that which we already know, namely that few other professions for women require so thorough or rigid a foundation before compensation can be derived from it. But we do not forget for one moment that we are not preparing this young woman to spend the next years of her life in interior decorating, designing dresses, teaching the three R's, operating a typewriter or any one of the hundreds of other occupations in existence today, but we are preparing this young woman to care for, guide and teach human beings! That in my opinion sets her quite apart.

There are as many types of young nurses as there are personalities in the world. They come from all kinds

of environments and the heritage of each is distinctly different. But all have a common purpose.

Why then do they not all find contentment and happiness? There are things to be said both in favor of and I regret to say against the individual staff nurse as she approaches her first situation. She has in her favor: youth, ambition, a desire to make her place in the nursing field, interest in her profession and the satisfaction in having completed a difficult task.

But this is not enough. She is facing a new venture and is anxious to prove successful. If she accepts a position in the institution of her choice and in the locality she desires she will perhaps remain long enough to place behind her a few satisfactory years of service and fulfill a place in the hospital which is fast becoming more and more important, for here the foundation is laid for all future professional advancement, the experience gained here is of great value no matter what field of nursing may be the ultimate goal; supervisions in any one of the various departments of the hospital, teaching the Nursing Arts or the Sciences, Public Health Nursing, or others. It is also the staff nurse who is given one of the best opportunities to interpret valuable health principles to both the patients and their families. Indeed, we cannot overestimate the value of a good reliable, well adjusted staff nurse. This is true regardless of the department in which she may be employed.

She also knows that her opportunities for advancement are good, first perhaps to assistant head nurse, then head nurse, and then if further advancement is desired it is advisable to meet the requirements set down by most State Registration Boards that of post graduate work in her specialty. Included in this preparation, and mind you, do not overlook this, are the following important factors: good experience, acceptable references, including such points as good technical skill, a record of reliability, good character, neatness, leadership and initiative and the following point should be particularly stressed, a personality which enables her to adjust to all types of situations and persons. It is advisable then, should her responsi-

bilities permit and after she has well mastered the situation which she directs, that she make provisions to continue her academic work. This may be done, in part at least, through the evening school or by attending the summer session. Her professional future now would appear to be fairly secure. Do you not agree?

The above of course is the ideal and we are glad to say that many many nurses fit into this pattern, if not in entirety at least in part. To these nurses we extend our best wishes, for from this group as well as others, will come some of our leaders of many tomorrows.

Unfortunately there is another side to the story. One of the largest problems confronting us is our effort to impress on the young nurse the importance of investigating the first position she accepts very carefully. If the situation for which she is applying is not entirely clear, it is her privilege to request all information desired directly from the employer, such as: the salary offered, on what service she is to be employed, whether the position is to be night duty, day duty or the alternate shift, the living conditions, etc.

We have found that in many instances nurses are quick to accept a position thinking, "It is only staff nursing and I can leave it any time if I don't like it." Often times she does leave and I am sorry to say sometimes commits the grave error of failing to give adequate notice to the employer which would allow her to obtain someone else in her place. Let me impress upon you that there is another side—you may, true enough, be unhappy in your position, but even if you accepted it without careful consideration you incurred an obligation which must be fulfilled at least until you can be replaced. For certainly you will understand that your sudden departure disturbs your employer mainly because she sees patients not adequately cared for. You would not hurt any one individual intentionally, but nevertheless you would be indirectly committing the same act by thoughtlessly leaving before you can be replaced. You are not asked to remain indefinitely, but only asked to do the ethical thing.

Perhaps you are not individually very tempermental but taken as a group sometimes you appear to be, in one job and out of another, two, three, four and even five in some extreme cases. As many as four or more jobs a year in as many different parts of the country. To be sure, that is one way to see the world but it has the sad tendency to almost ruin your professional opportunities. Employers examining a record of frequent short periods of employment hesitate to consider you, for one of the most important problems facing the Directress of Nurses in any institution is the maintaining of as great a degree of stability as possible among the staff. Think this over, staff nurses.

The following comments frequently appear on the nurse's confidential employment references and if they appear too often a nurse becomes very hard to place. (1) Lack of good technical skill, such remarks are recorded as: "She does not appear to have learned any definite technique" or "needs careful supervision." (2) Unreliability, "cannot be depended upon," "is seldom on time on duty," "her charting is not accurate." (3) Neatness, "is untidy in uniform," "shoes not carefully cleaned," "too much make-up." (4) Personality, "works best alone," "antagonizes patients and doctors," "does not cooperate with other nurses." Watch these points—they spell your future!

Let us now consider the employer, as her problems are important ones, too. In almost every instance we have found that she does consider the nurse's record very carefully before employing her and if at all possible tries to place each nurse in the department for which she is best suited.

If the Director of the School of Nursing to which you have made application does not answer you immediately do not judge her too harshly as most of them are very busy people and her first concern is to care for the immediate need.

Should your work not be entirely satisfactory make an appointment to discuss it with your Directress or her assistant. In most cases it may be a simple matter and you will be given

an opportunity to improve if you will try to meet the situation half way.

If you are discharged without notice, we all agree with you that it appears to be unfair and it would be much more ideal if you were given a week or two weeks advance salary. One of the main reasons this is not done is that most hospitals are operating on a very close budget and they cannot always predict, particularly in a large general hospital, when the census will take a sudden drop. I hope in the years to come that more consideration can be given to this problem as it most certainly will lead to a happier group of staff nurses and less ill feeling between the hospitals and the individual nurse.

It is necessary at certain times of the year and during epidemics to employ nurses on a temporary basis. If you are unemployed, do not hesitate to consider such an offer, especially since it has been our experience to note that often a permanent, satisfactory appointment has been the result.

In short, do not be too hard on the employer. She is for the most part very anxious to help you. Her job too is a big one and no doubt gives her many a headache. She does appreciate your loyalty and fine service.

Opportunities for staff nurses are many if as mentioned above you choose your experience carefully and fulfill all that is required of you in your job. Advancement in nursing as in other fields comes with: (1) experience, (2) skillful service, (3) preparation, either post graduate work or university work, (4) proved adaptability. There still is and probably always will be a great need for nurses adequately trained and experienced in such fields, for example, as pediatrics, orthopedics, obstetrics, operating room, medical and surgical nursing, as well as instructress positions, and others.

The demand as compared with the supply of available nurses throughout the country is now unusually great and varies with economic conditions, the season of the year and consequent sick incidence. During the last four to six months the demand for staff nurses has been large and continues

to be very urgent. The reason for this may be due to any one of several causes. (1) The unusual and continuous increase in the census of the hospitals due in part perhaps to the popularity of the Hospital Insurance Plans. (2) The large number of nurses vacationing. (3) The war scare—many nurses resigning their positions, planning to spend the next few months with their families as they feel perhaps that they may be called, through the Red Cross, to war areas soon.

Positions as revealed by the calls to NURSE PLACEMENT SERVICE are available in all sections of the country. The need in the middlewest is always great and it is interesting to note that the requests from both the East and the West have been steadily increasing. We are almost in a position to say—Name your locality and we will do the rest.

Salary ranges vary of course depending upon the location, the eastern and the western states offering the highest compensations and the south the lowest. The following figures will give you somewhat of a general idea:

East—\$75-\$110 and maintenance

West—\$75-\$115 and maintenance

Midwest—\$60-\$77.50 and in one state and probably one of the highest paying \$70-\$120 and maintenance

South—\$45-\$65 and maintenance or more often around \$65-\$80 and partial maintenance (meals and laundry)

These salaries apply to a general staff position on a medical or surgical floor. In the medical fields such as operating room, obstetrics, pediatrics, contagious and psychiatric nursing there is often an increase from five to fifteen dollars over the above prevailing rate for non-specialized services. Some hospitals offer a salary with partial maintenance and in this case give the nurse an additional \$10 to \$25 per month.

Aside from the actual placing of nurses in various kinds of positions there is considerable time in a professional service spent in giving vocational counselling and guidance, that is, advising nurses regarding present day requirements for entrance into the many different branches of nursing.

Frequently nurses register with NURSE PLACEMENT SERVICE with the view in mind of having their credentials compiled and on file not because they desire an immediate change of position, but so that their history containing a record of preparation, experience and references of ability shown in past positions may be on file with a central service for use whenever needed.

In a closing statement we wish again to impress upon you as a group of young women that yours is a very important job in any hospital either general or special. It has been most gratifying to observe that the service you render is in so many instances so splendidly performed.

Eleanor D. Maguire,
Class of 1934

PUBLIC HEALTH NEWS

Poliomyelitis again commands the attention of all public health nurses. It is still listed as causing 19.2% of the crippling conditions in children. There are two very valuable pamphlets on the respirator which are obtainable free of charge from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, 120 Broadway, New York. One of these pamphlets gives a list of the location and owners of all the respirators in the United States. The other pamphlet discusses the use of the respirator in poliomyelitis.

The American Public Health Association is holding their annual meeting in Detroit, Michigan, October 8-11. See the American Journal of public health for the program. It covers practically the entire field of Public Health and will have as speakers outstanding public health authorities from the countries of North America.

A study of the short time treatment for syphilis is going on at Cook County Hospital. A limited number of patients are hospitalized and treated intensively for one week. They are

then to be followed in the clinic to see if the method is effective. If it does turn out to be successful it will reduce the time of treatment from the average five hundred days to five or six days. In Illinois alone during the first half of 1940 there were approximately seventy new cases of syphilis reported daily.

Industrial nurses will be interested to learn the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness has a new film entitled "The Eyes Have It." It is an educational film portraying how

eye accidents may be prevented. In the United States there are approximately 8,000 persons who have been blinded by eye hazards of industrial occupations and 80,000 persons who have lost the sight of one eye by such accidents.

The twenty ninth National Safety Congress and Exposition will be held in the Stevens Hotel October 7-11. The program may be found in the September Illinois State Nurses Association Bulletin.

Dorothy Adams



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With understanding of and the belief in the aims and purposes of the Alumnae Association of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, I do solemnly affirm, that I will enter into and aid in its work and that I will endeavor, by my daily life and service, to honor always the profession of which I am a member.

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A Happy Holiday Season
To You All !

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December Alumnae Meeting

Instead of the regular evening meeting for December, the associate members will be hostesses for the afternoon of December 17th, from 2 to 5 p.m. on Main 12 at St. Luke's.

January Meeting of the Alumnae Association

The annual meeting will be held the third Tuesday in January at 7:30 p.m. on Main 12. Reports of committee chairmen will be heard at this meeting, followed by a short program and social hour in the lounge.

Alumnae Members: Please Note—

When bringing guests who are not members of the association to the meetings, please ask them to wait in the lounge until after the business session is finished; they are then welcome to join in the program and social hour.

Alumnae Dues

Dues are payable January 1, 1941, to Miss Helen McNab, Treasurer, Ridgeview Hotel, Evanston, Ill. Alumnae dues are \$6.50 for active membership and \$2.00 for associate and non-resident membership. Please send dues as early as possible. **Do not send cash!** Do not address Miss McNab's mail with her title of "treasurer"; and please tell what field of nursing you are in.

Change of Addresses

Please send change of addresses to Rosellyn Kelly, 426 Surf St., Chicago. Much time and money is lost when Journals are sent out to old addresses, since the post-office will not forward second class matter. It is necessary to send the change to both the Journal and the District.

Christmas Tea

Tea will be served around the Christmas tree at Headquarters on Friday, December 27th, from 2 to 4 p.m. Come and bring your friends. (First District, Illinois State Nurses Assoc.)

A Chance to Help Some Sick Nurse

Books of chances on the Ford car for the benefit of the Blue Cross Guild are going fast and will soon be at a premium. You may get them from Maud Gooch and it will be best to get them soon, as there are only 300 to sell and March 15th, 1941, rolls around fast. Will you do your share to earn a day or two of nursing care for a critically ill graduate nurse? Every graduate can share in this by buying or selling a few chances.

Applications for Red Cross Nursing Service

Applications for Red Cross Nursing Service may be obtained from any member of the Red Cross Committee. Physical examinations may be arranged through the Health Service Main H. Gooch, Chairman,
Red Cross Committee.

Nursing Headquarters on Broadway,
New York City

The three national nursing organizations, the Nursing Information Bureau, and the JOURNAL have moved to 1790 Broadway, New York City, along with the National Health Council.

The 1942 Biennial Convention

The biennial meeting of the three national nursing organizations is to be held in Chicago in May, 1942 (May 17-23). The cost of the ISNA will be about \$4,000, plus \$1,000 for decorating the Coliseum. The board of First District has voted to pay the 50 cents per capita taken from the savings account, so that members of 1st District will not be taxed an additional amount for dues for the next two years.

St. Luke's Group of Red Cross Workers

A St. Luke's group is sewing every Thursday from 11 a.m. on during the day. Any nurse who wishes to drop in for a short time at 1st District Headquarters, 8 South Michigan Ave., may do her bit, and enjoy the company of others while working. Bring a sandwich for lunch and coffee will be served. Annie Lawrie will be there!

MARCH OF TIME

1890

Minnie D. Wilbur celebrated her 83rd birthday, Monday, October 21, 1940, at St. Luke's Hospital where she has been a patient for several years. The day was a busy one receiving many visitors, reading the loads of cards sent by friends and enjoying the lovely flowers.

1895

Harriet Fulmer attended the American Public Health Association Meeting at Detroit, Mich., October 8-11. After the convention she went on to Connecticut for a visit.

Ann Pearse has a new position caring for a baby on Greenwood Ave., Chicago.

1896

Annie Lawrie did not go on her eastern trip as announced in the October Journal, but hopes to do so at some future date.

1898

Ellen Stewart has been quite ill in the Waukegan Hospital, but at present is much improved.

1902

Mary Kinzie Hopkins has a nursing position in the McHenry County Home, at Hartland, Ill.

1903

Lulu Averill of Cedar Rapids, Ia., visited in Chicago for a few days this fall, staying at the Palmer House.

1905

Salome Dyson leaves for Coronado and San Francisco, Cal., early in January for a two months stay. We hope the weather will be nice.

The Iris Dress Shop and Christine Udell are synonymous now. Chris and her sister opened the shop recently in Detroit and she writes that they are doing as well as could be expected for a new venture.

Helen McNab has been ill at her home in Evanston, but is improving and hopes to be her usual self very soon.

1907

Margaret Burleson Robson, writing from her home in Lucebridge, Wells, England, tells of her busy life and says that so far their home has not been bombed, though houses around them have been hit.

1912

Pearl Mothershead Newell visited in Chicago with Dr. W. C. Newell who was attending the Clinical Congress of Surgeons the latter part of October. Mrs. Newell enjoyed visiting with Miss Binner, Miss Bender, Miss Madden and other friends at Children's Memorial Hospital.

1915

Marie Drager was a patient in the endowed rooms for several weeks following an operation. She returned to her home in Wisconsin to recuperate.

1916

Clara Schuhardt, formerly superintendent of the Crippled Children's Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., was a visitor at the last Alumnae meeting.

Margaret Carrithers Wolfhope, who resided in Chicago for the past several years practicing private duty nursing, is now living in Pontiac, Ill., and liking the change. She visited in Chicago early in October, where her older daughter is attending the University of Chicago.

1917

Lillian Watts spent several weeks as a patient in the endowed room this fall. She was much improved after leaving and we hope will soon take her place in the private duty fold.

1919

Margaret R. Wyne and Wang Hsu-Ying, N.A.C., have an interesting article appearing in the October AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING on "Health Nursing in Peking." Miss Wyne has had fifteen years in China, eight of them spent as supervisor of the out-patient department of the Peiping Union Medical College Hospital.

1920

Alleyne Thompson Carey, a hostess at Cook County Nurses Home, enjoys meeting the affiliating students from St. Luke's as well as the graduates who are employed there on the staff.

1921

Leone Dallman Gillette and three children visited St. Luke's recently.

Gertrude Moline Minore was a patient in the endowed room for a brief time this fall, but is now feeling fine again.

Fannie Shellman had a article on "Safety Work in Industry" appearing in the Michigan State Nurses bulletin recently.

Esther Oehler Diderich and her husband enjoyed a two weeks trip in September to the Smoky Mountains and on down to New Orleans.

Alice Farrar Gibson has been quite ill at St. Luke's Hospital for a number of weeks but is well on the road to recovery now.

1922

Clara Gemuenden and Eillen Cassidy, '33, with another friend, motored to the Smoky Mountains for two weeks in November. They report a most enjoyable vacation.

1924

Miss Edna T. Plambeck, former supervisor of Nursing Schools in the New York State Department of Education, has assumed her duties as Director of Nursing Education in the Wayne University of Liberal Arts. Wayne's nursing courses offered in co-operation with the Detroit Hospitals, are planned for supervisors and administrators, public health nurses and for students and graduate nurses working toward the Bachelor of Science Degree. (From the Michigan State Nurses' Bulletin)

Rhoda Wickwire is doing hourly nursing in Manistique, Mich., where her home is.

Louise Graff enjoyed a few weeks vacation in Los Angeles, Cal., during November.

1925

Loraine Ostrom visited her sister in Detroit for several days in October.

1926

Ella Saline relieved four months this summer and fall in the operating room at St. Luke's. She is again doing private duty.

1928

Margaret Stoner Cappa visited with Lucille Carpenter Coombs of Oak Park recently. Margaret has moved to Park Ridge from their former home in Evanston, Ill.

Margaret Lunbeck Elliott and family of Gary, Ind., spent Sunday with Lucille Coombs recently.

Louise J. Smith was a patient in the endowed room for several weeks this fall; she is recuperating at her

home on Blackstone Ave., and we hope she will soon be back among the private duty nurses.

1929

Robbers liked the things they found in the apartment of Alice Sanderson, Eleanor Turnbull and Marie Steinke at 1518 S. Michigan Ave. on the night of November 12th. Any way, they have never brought them back and the girls are losing hope that the thieves will ever be caught, and there are plenty of locks, etc. on the doors now.

1930

Gretchen Wilson has accepted a position as school nurse in Whittier, Cal.

1931

Rosellyn Kelly is spending several weeks with a patient at Hot Springs, National Park, Arkansas. She says the weather is fine and scenery beautiful there.

Adelaide Welch, Pediatric Supervisor, Illinois Research and Educational Hospital, went on a cruise around the Panama Canal Zone during October.

Harriet Etzbach accompanied a patient to Palm Beach, Florida, where she will remain for a short time.

1932

Viola Heikkinen and her sister left Chicago November 18 to motor to Detroit and then on to Toronto, Canada, where they will visit for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Ryall (Audrey Lowe) who have been living in Chicago, have moved into their new home in the northern part of Highland Park, Ill.

Josephine Council Patelski and her young son who have been visiting Josephine's family for the past month, left for their home in Tacoma, Wash.

Norma Thompson has been appointed to the newly created position of chief stewardess nurse for the Baltimore & Ohio and Alton railroads.

1933

Lillian Olsen visited Ruth Van Tassel in De Kalb, Ill., recently.

Harriet Divet Catron of Ann Arbor, Mich., visited in Chicago in November.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Seck (Bertha Mahoney) who have been living in Chicago, have moved into their new home at 18236 Gottschalk Ave., Homewood, Ill.

1934

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Keyes (Louise Lord) have a home under construction on the south side of Chicago. During the "big blow" part of the walls caved in, necessitating some delay on the work.

Nancy Allen attended the wedding of her sister Dorothy at Hartford, Conn., this fall.

Georgiana Kelly who is on the staff of the operating room at St. Luke's, enjoyed her vacation in October, spending part of it with her sister in South Bend, Ind.

1936

Roberta Lawsha resigned her position as head nurse on M14 at St. Luke's which she has held for the past four years and is at her home in Seneca, Ill., for an indefinite period.

Erma Lehman Jones is teaching in a high school in Woodstock, Ill.

Verda Vandeford who is employed in a clinic in Indianapolis, visited friends in Chicago during the latter part of November.

Dorothy Myers Murphy was a patient in the endowed room in November.

1937

Neva Summers who is a head nurse in the Obstetrical Department, spent the month of September vacationing in California.

Kathleen Burwell who is taking a public health course at Ann Arbor, Mich., visited in Chicago over the week end at Thanksgiving time.

Ida Gindele, head nurse on B Floor at St. Luke's, was ill for a short time in November and is again on duty.

Lois Richert and Ignota Francis who were doing general duty at the New York Hospital, New York City, for the past two years, returned this fall. Miss Francis is practicing private duty at St. Luke's.

1938

Alice Skelton is employed by the Michigan State Health Department in Schoolcraft Co. in a maternity demonstration unit.

Maurene Becker has a position with the Carnegie Steel Co. in South Chicago. She has been practicing private duty at St. Luke's since her return from California last summer. Maurene and Naomi Swem visited Miss Swem's home in South Bend over Thanksgiving.

Alice Getz of Burbank, Cal., who is a stewardess on the T.W.A. Airlines, stopped in Chicago in October for a short visit when enroute to her home in Moline, Ill.

Bertha Kraft sailed for Honolulu October 23rd from Los Angeles for an indefinite stay.

Leone Galbraith Hawks, who has been in Washington, D.C., the past year and has been doing volunteer work for the Red Cross, is now doing temporary office work for the emergency war relief. She has found this to be an interesting experience, but hopes to get back into nursing soon.

CORRECTIONS OF THE OCTOBER JOURNAL

In the report of the Red Cross Meeting, page 9, the description of the tea table should have read: The tea table was beautifully decorated with a center piece of red, white and blue flowers donated by Miss Margaret Davis, a senior student.

Barbara Janata is on the teaching faculty of Southampton Hospital, Southampton, Long Island. The October issue of our bulletin stated that she was associated with the New Rochelle Hospital.—Editor.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BRIDES AND GROOMS

1933

The marriage of Mary Eve Mussen to James Murray Burgess is announced. The ceremony took place on August 6, 1940, in Trinity College Chapel, Toronto.

1937

Lois Richert was married to Gordon W. Hill, November 16, 1940, in Davenport, Ia.

1939

Dorothy Ackermann was married September 28, 1940, to Adam Snow. At home in Chicago.

1940

Winifred Holtkamp was married to Charles Crass in September. They will reside in Chicago where the bride is on the staff at Cook County Hospital.



RECENT ARRIVALS

1929

Mr. and Mrs. Armin Ungradt (Cora-belle Blake) of Downers Grove, Ill., announce the birth of a son in November.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Roche (Dorothy Fish) announce the adoption of a son, David John.

1931

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Betz (Viola Truckenbrod) of Mendota, Ill., announce the birth of a daughter in June, 1940.

1934

Mr. and Mrs. James Skorcz (Nina Callahan) announcing the delivery of Nancy Marie Skorcz. Plane-Type . . . Maiden Plane . . . Designed by Jimmie . . . Built and produced by Nina . . . Delivered at Clearwater, Fla. . . . Date—October 24, 1940 . . . Wing Spread—18 inches . . . Length Overall—19¾ inches . . . Shape of Fuselage—Scream Lined . . . Gross weight—6¼ pounds . . . Power Plant—Two Lungers, Free Squealing . . . Fuel—Milk—3 oz. every 4 hours . . . Oil—external only . . . Water—as required . . . Water tight integrity—Could be improved upon . . . Open for inspection and acceptance

trial about November 15, 1940, at 315 Jasmine Way, Clearwater, Fla.

1936

Mr. and Mrs. D. Benbow (Charlotte McElroy) are parents of a son born October 7, 1940, at St. Luke's.

THE "THREE MUSKETEERS" REPLY

The "Three Musketeers" pictured in the October Journal wish to thank the editor and unknown camera man for the great honor bestowed upon three of your most humble servants. We were shocked and surprised at this uncensored picture—but we do wish to say that whatever we have done for our Alumnae Association in our humble way, has always been a great pleasure and we hope to continue to carry on.

Sincerely,

Jessie Lawrie

Helen E. McNab

Maud Gooch

ALUMNAE MEETINGS

The October and November Alumnae meetings, held the 15th and 19th, respectively, were both well attended and made very interesting by having Mrs. Gertrude Lieber, Parliamentarian, for the program session. A brief business session preceded the programs. At the November meeting the following ticket for the election of officers and board members was presented to the members of the association by the nominating committee:

President—

Mable Madden

Eve Morkill

Mary Everett (nominated from the floor)

Second Vice President—

Florence Drake

Emma Werner

Treasurer—

Nancy Allen

Chairman Relief Committee—

Edith Gustafson (nominated from the floor)

Eleanor Turnbull

Chairman Nominating Committee—

Ethelyn Petersen

Lulu Dilge

Chairman Program Committee—
Margaret McArdle
Irene Smith

The following recommendation from the Red Cross Committee was read by the Chairman, Miss Hettie Gooch, on: **RED CROSS NURSING SERVICE:**

To the Members of St. Luke's Alumnae Association:

St. Luke's Alumnae Association has always been proud of the part its members have played in carrying on the nursing program of the American Red Cross Association. St. Luke's Alumnae Association asks its members to respond to the present call for Red Cross nurses which has been sent

out because of the additional nurses needed in the Plan for National Defense.

It has been found necessary to draft men for National Defense, but St. Luke's Alumnae Association hopes it will not be necessary to draft nurses who as members of the American Nurses Association are pledged when called upon to furnish nursing service to the Army and Navy.

E. Bender

O. Frost

H. Gooch, Chairman,
Red Cross Committee

Social hour and refreshments completed the evening.

PRESENT BY LAWS AND PROPOSED CHANGES

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ARTICLE III

Officers and Board of Directors

Section 2. The officers and six directors shall constitute the Board of Directors. The vice presidents and six directors shall act as chairmen of standing committees.

ARTICLE IV

Standing Committees

Section 1 (a) The Standing Committees shall be: Revisions; Finance; Membership; Relief; Program; Publication and Press; Nominating; Private Duty.

Article VI Meetings

SECTION 6 QUORUM

- a. Sixteen members of the Association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any annual meeting of the Association.
- b. Ten members of the Association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any Regular or Special Meeting of the Association.
- c. Board of Directors. Six members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at meetings of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI

SECTION 2 MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the Association shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month from September to May inclusive, the time and place to be selected by the Board and due notice sent to members.

SUGGESTED REVISIONS

ARTICLE III

Officers and Board of Directors

Section 2. The officers and twelve directors shall constitute the Board of Directors. The vice presidents and seven directors shall act as chairmen of standing committees.

ARTICLE IV

Standing Committees

Section 1 (a) The Standing Committees shall be: Revisions; Finance; Membership; Relief; Program; Publication and Press; Nominating; Private Duty; and Public Health.

Article VI Meetings

SECTION 6 QUORUM

- a. Thirty members of the Association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any annual meeting of the Association.
- b. Fifteen members of the Association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any Regular or Special Meeting of the Association.
- c. Board of Directors. Nine members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at meetings of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI

SECTION 2 MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the Association shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month from September to May inclusive, the time and place to be selected by the Board and due notice sent to members.

M. McConnell,

Chairman By Laws Committee

CHANGE OF ALUMNAE NAME

October 4, 1940

Mrs. Ann L. Jones Laird
1819 W. Polk St.
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mrs. Laird:

In accordance with your request of recent date, I have this day filed certificate of change of name of the above association to ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING and hereby acknowledge receipt of the required fee of \$1.00.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD J. HUGHES
Secretary of State

Corporation Department



BLUE CROSS SERVICE GUILD

A Ford coach is to be raffled March 15th, 1940. Tickets are now available at 50 cents each—in books of ten, \$5. Tickets will be on sale at alumnae meetings.

Write Maud Gooch at once if you will take a book to help raise our fund this year. If all members respond, we shall easily sell our quota of 3,000 chances. The winner will be given the money to buy his own car.

OBJECT OF THE GUILD: To give nursing care to critically ill St. Luke's nurses. Life membership fee is \$1.00; no annual dues.

EVERY St. Luke's graduate should be a member. Send checks to M. Gooch, Treasurer.

WHO'S WHO

Among St. Luke's Nurses

Bernice Pivorunas, graduate of class of 1933. Post-graduate course, "Communicable Diseases," Cook County Hospital, 1934. General duty—obstetrics at St. Luke's Hospital, 1934-1936. General duty—New York Hospital, New York City, 1936. Teachers Col-

lege, Columbia University, September, 1936. Major: Public Health Nursing. A scholarship from the Alumnae Association in August 1937 made it possible to continue school in 1937-38. Received Bachelor of Science Degree in June 1938. Henry Street Visiting Nurse Service in June 1938-1940. September 1940 at Weld County Health Department, in Greeley, Colorado, doing Rural Nursing. This is a one year exchange service between Henry Street Visiting Nurse Service and Colorado. Returning to Henry Street V.N.S. in September, 1941.

The following account gives some of the experiences Miss Pivorunas is having in her new location:

"My one year exchange service in Colorado began on the third of September. For one year, I will be with the Health Department in Weld County, while the nurse from Colorado will be with the Henry Street Visiting Nurse Service. A change from an eastern voluntary nursing service to a western official agency or vice versa will be a learning experience which will benefit both nurses and organizations. While the nurse from Colorado is climbing five flights of stairs in a crowded section of New York City, I will be driving about fifteen to twenty miles in the rural section of Colorado looking for the farm house with a white picket fence on the right side of the road.

"Greeley, the city in which our offices are situated, is fifty miles north of Denver and fifty miles south of Cheyenne, Wyoming. A thirty mile drive westward will lead one directly into the Rocky Mountains, making it possible to go outing every Sunday to various sections of the mountains. In September, we enjoyed the beautiful fall coloring, especially the gold of the aspen trees. Now the mountains are covered with snow and we are preparing to go skiing. No one can imagine the fun of buying riding clothes, boots and other necessities in order to achieve the appearance of a real westerner.

"One of the first essentials of a rural nurse is to drive a car. When I arrived here in September, I could drive forward, but when it came to backing out of farm yards or diagonal parking in Greeley, difficulties arose. One poor fender was scraped daily, but will not be repaired until I can

really back out with only an inch of space to spare.

"First we had rainy weather and I had to be towed out of a muddy road. Another time a barbed-wire in a sandy soil caused a flat tire. When it snowed here, everyone gave instructions to carry blankets, a shovel, a tow-rope and to keep the gas tank full. Outside of these particular highlights in driving, the adjustment from walking to driving was rather easy, because of the absence of traffic on the rural roads.

"The nurses in Weld County Health Department have a generalized program including all services, as, infant and pre-school health supervision, schoolnursing, maternity, morbidity, communicable disease, venereal disease, tuberculosis and crippled children.

"School nursing in the rural areas is entirely new to me. There are about thirty-five schools in my district with a population ranging from two to seven students in one room country schools to 80 to 600 children in the town schools. These children are very friendly, but it seems that poverty whether it is in the city or the country takes its toll, for children in the dryland section have as many dental cavities as children in the tenements of New York City.

"The principles of Public Health Nursing which I learned on Henry Street still apply in all my work here, but the policies of the Health Department had to be learned. All of my co-workers have been unusually friendly and it seems that western hospitality is not a mere axiom but a reality.

Bernice Pivorunas."

INQUIRING REPORTER ASKS:

Do you approve of a home for retired nurses of First District?

Answers from about fifty nurses who were asked this question showed that the general trend of thought is toward the future and what it holds for old age, especially the private duty nurse for whom there is no social security, no pension plan and always an uncertain livelihood. The feeling seems to be that if a home could be subsidized, endowed or purchased, a way could then be found to maintain the home and make it self-support-

ing. Nurses with a small income could have security after their earning power is cut off. If while nurses are young and able-bodied, they could pay for their place in a home, their future **would not look** as formidable as it does to most as they approach the age of retirement. Many questions must necessarily enter into such a plan and most careful and painstaking measures to insure its safety must be taken; but when a project is worthwhile and nurses are in earnest about something, it can be done!

An answer from one interested nurse follows: "I think that as nurses we could be quite happy together in a home of our own when we have retired. We have had the same problems of adjustment and change and so because of the many years in our profession, we should be able to get along well together. We would have many interesting stories to tell of pleasant memories and time would not be idle on our hands. Those of us who have hobbies could work at them and those of us who have none could then learn to do some of the things that we have always wanted to do. I heartily approve of a self-supporting home for retired nurses. It would be a good plan for an insurance for us not only financially, but insured happiness for all who would be a part of this group."

Another general question which was asked of a group of nurses as well as individuals was: **How do you think general attendance at alumnae meetings could be improved upon and what changes could you suggest in programs?**

General suggestions: Have less nursing subjects; more current events, book reviews, card parties, more entertainment.

Have certain class groups (such as the years from 1936 to 1940, etc.) plan the program which would be most interesting to them.

One other reply was: "Have attractive, tempting notices of all meetings. At present the secretary is not allowed enough on her budget to send out a notice for each meeting. One month the meeting is announced to each individual member by post-card and the next by the bulletin announcement. Our larger attendances are of the meetings when cards are sent, as then each member has her own personal invitation. Part of the meetings should have speakers who are from the other professions, as we, as nurses,

need to have our lives made fuller by knowing what others are doing. Through these speakers, we can all have a broader point of view of all walks of life. I have personally enjoyed all of our meetings as I think the programs have been well planned and the speakers have been carefully selected. It would be well if all of us who attend meetings regularly make our own personal drive by calling or writing our St. Luke's Alumnae friends and encouraging them to attend meetings. When one is in the habit of going to every meeting, it becomes an evening that we look forward to with anticipation, because we know we are going to learn what our alumnae are doing through our business session; we are going to learn something from our speaker of the evening, and we are going to have a very good time seeing old friends and meeting new ones."

THE GENERAL DUTY NURSE

Nursing offers a very wide and varied field to work in, and out of this large field we still have nurses who by preference do general duty. Many nurses are willing to carry on the important work of the bedside care of the patients though they know the unfavorable conditions which exist in that field of nursing.

The general duty nurse not only takes care of the patient, but because of her daily contact with the patient also teaches him the function and policies of the institution. She must be skillful and tactful and well adjusted to meet the many situations which arise in the sickroom and portray to the patient the ideals of nursing and nursing education.

It is said that the greatest joy and satisfaction of nursing comes from bedside nursing. What type of nurse chooses general duty nursing? We find among this group the good and the bad as in other groups of nurses, but it is not a group of nurses who are misfits, as is sometimes said. The average general duty nurse has had as much education and as many years of preparation in a school of nursing as nurses in other fields. The patient is certainly entitled to the best and the nursing profession deserves only the best representation to the public.

The general duty nurse works under conditions less favorable than nurses in other positions. The hours of work, the salary, the room she lives in; but heading these physical shortcomings is the mental anguish of being made to feel that your work is of little importance.

Is the time ever planned that a general duty nurse may feel free to start an evening class? May she ever plan to attend a nursing convention, and join in group activities? Is she not the person who should be as well educated and have as broad a professional understanding as anyone else in the profession?

We are indeed fortunate that we still have nurses who think as one of our industrialists (who gives every employee a chance to show his interest and initiative): "Every person is in some measure a cornerstone and should carry some of the load of making the world a better place to live in." (Anonymous)

MIGRATORY CAMPS

(The following article was written by Barbara Blakely, class of 1933, who supervises camps in both Florida and New Jersey.)

The first migratory camps built by the Federal Government, Farm Security Administration, were those erected in California several years ago. Florida likewise has a migrant problem, thousands of people coming to the state in the fall, to work in the fruit and vegetable areas, and leaving the middle or last of May. Belle Glade was selected as the place in which to build the first migratory camp east of Texas; this was because it is in the heart of the vegetable region. A small town with a normal population of 1500 or so, in the winter it must house five to six thousand migrant people, colored and white. There were several privately owned tourist camps, in which very little effort was made to provide proper housing or health conditions. Many of the people lived in make-shift shelters near the packing houses, having no sanitary facilities whatsoever. With the building of both a white and negro government camp, the private camps must now come up to the standard set by the government.

The migratory camp will house but a small portion of the people. The white camp, for instance, will take care of 176 families; they pay one dollar per week for each shelter, and give two hours work per week to caring for the camp grounds. The shelters are built of concrete and steel, have electric lights, and are unfurnished. There is also a portion of the grounds for those having trailers, and quite a few live in this manner. There are large separate buildings for laundry units, sanitary units, a clinic building with beds for three or four patients, and two isolation shelters, and a nurse on duty at all times, a large recreational hall, administration offices, and in the final stages of construction, a school building for the first six grades, and a nursery building for pre-school age children. The latter is sponsored by the town people, known as the "Belle Glade Community Center." It provides twenty-four hour care, food, clothes, and medical care, for those children who would otherwise be left at home with an older child, kept from school usually for that purpose, to care for them. The nursery age is six months to six years. It is financed by contributions, local and near-by civic groups, church organizations, and interested individuals, and the small fee charged for each child is twenty-five cents a day. It is estimated that seventy-five to one hundred children will be cared for in the nursery this year. There are one hundred children now

attending the school.

The camp is located about two miles from the center of the town, but is only a short distance from the packing houses. It resembles a small, well kept community, with its clean grounds, streets, and well tended grass and shrubs.

In this vegetable area, the colored people do the field work, planting, and picking the crops. The white people work in the packing houses, sorting, grading, washing, and packing the vegetables for shipping. Due to the perishableness of the vegetables, it is necessary that they be shipped as soon as possible after picking, which necessitates the working of long, late hours, often until two and three in the morning.

There are several other migratory camps being built in this region by the Farm Security Administration, and it is hoped by all connected with the migrant problem, that some time in the near future these people, who are so necessary to the fruit and vegetable industry, will not be looked upon as a problem by the community to which they go, but as a vital, important, and welcome group. The housing problem of the migratory farm labor group has long been recognized by the communities, but it was too large a task for them to cope with, and they looked to the government for aid. Just such an effort is now being made by the government, and the communities are cooperating to the fullest extent.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 39th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE ILLINOIS STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION

Registration: Total, 1899, the highest of any state convention in Illinois. Students, 200.

All sessions well attended—lunches and banquet overflowing with guests. St. Luke's quota of delegates, 26—nearly all present.

American Journal of Nursing copies sold—153—by Rosellyn Kelly, '31.

The first session was opened by greetings from Dr. Bundeson who paid tribute to the nursing profession "in their continuous strength, leadership, sacrifice and loyalty to ideals." Quoting from a motto in Mr. Kettering's office, he said, "The Price of Progress is Trouble."

Dr. Saunders, representing the AMA, spoke of the desire of the medi-

cal profession to help the nursing profession to give good nursing care and to help educate the public against poor, inefficient nursing schools.

Outstanding among committee reports was the very excellent and detailed report given by Mrs. Armina Farrar on "Subsidiary Workers," a study on which the committee had worked diligently for the past two years. Recommendations from the committee in brief were: that subsidiary workers should not be licensed; that there should be better supervision; that an hourly nursing service be advocated when possible, with a program of publicity for hourly nursing. This was a majority report.

Other reports:

Membership of state now totals 11,179.

Treasurer's report showed balance left in treasury.

Legislative: more supervision of education in the state.

Secretary recommends: constructive criticism.

Private duty: aim of section to increase 8 hour duty.

The annual dinner held Thursday night will doubtless be long remembered by those hearing Mrs. Bertita Harding, who spoke on "The Power Behind the Pen." She, who is an author of several books, is also a charming speaker, and held her audience enthralled for many minutes even after a long day of meetings and evenings crowded with other distractions. She said, "If one has something worthwhile to say and is full of it, one can always talk, whether he is a practiced speaker or not."

The demonstration by the Chicago Maternity Center of a home delivery set-up was most interesting and completely done.

Miss Calista Banworth, R.N., Acting Secretary of the International Council of Nurses, spoke on "The Florence Nightingale International Foundation." Moving pictures which she had taken while a student at the Foundation were of great interest to the audience, but time was short, and cuts in all papers were made.

Miss Rebecca Pond, R.N., Nursing Consultant of the Mid-Western Area, American Red Cross, spoke at the Red Cross luncheon meeting on "National Defense and the American Red Cross Nursing Service." She said that "Personal and partisan ideas must be put aside. Our duty in this defense program is to see that the part of its administration that touches our profession shall be as effective as we nurses can make it."

At the final business session of the Association, October 19th,, it was voted that every district in the state should contribute 25 cents per member each year for two years, to cover the general expenses of the biennial convention to be held in Chicago in 1942—the cost to the ISNA will be approximately \$4,000, plus \$1,000 for decorating the Coliseum.

The following officers were elected:
1st Vice President—Mrs. Ada R. Crocker, Chicago

Secretary—Mrs. Louise Allen Meyers, Peoria

Representative from 1st District—
Mary Fulton

(Representatives at large from other districts also elected)

SECURITY FOR NURSES

Nursing, unlike other fields of employment, has no guarantee for security in old age unless the individual nurse provides for herself. True, there are a few fields such as industrial nursing where a pension may be secured after so many years service, but as a whole nurses are strictly responsible for their own security when their earning power has ceased. Therefore it is necessary to make some plans for the future.

The first question that comes to one's mind is—What shall I do? Let us take for instance the young nurse who has just graduated. She obtains employment in her desired field if she is fortunate. Her first pay check looks like a good sized payment on the national debt. Does she think of salting some away for a rainy day? Indeed Not! What could happen to me? She does not realize that sickness, accidents and unemployment may enter the picture. Maybe nothing will happen but that is something none of us know. She continues the foregoing policy for a time. Perhaps marriage comes along and her future is provided for her but that still leaves some of us who continue to work. In order to grow old gracefully it is best to have a certain amount of protection. There are numerous ways of obtaining this.

(1) Have you joined the endowed room? For \$50.00 you have a life investment, being entitled to this room in case of illness for four weeks out of every year. Every St. Luke's nurse is familiar with our three attractive rooms on Main 7. You can obtain information concerning this from Helen McNab.

(2) The Blue Cross Guild. We all know the significance of this successful organization. One dollar entitles you to a life membership. In case of serious illness where the services of a graduate nurse are necessary the

Blue Cross Guild sees that the required amount of nursing service is given free.

(3) **A Savings Account.** The idea of a savings account is not to put some money in today and again in six months; then in the meantime if you need a new hat or dress to draw it out; it is to put there and save. Try to save a small amount from each pay check. Be it a dime, fifty cents or a dollar. Mighty oaks from little acorns grow!

(4) **Insurance.** When we think of this subject we think of accidents, long periods of illness, death and lots of other unpleasant things. But what do we do about it while we are young and can get cheap insurance rates? Our government has seen fit to protect the working people of our country through the social security act and other forms of old age benefits, but unfortunately a large percentage of nurses do not qualify. In view of this, it seems advisable that we consider the question of insurance very seriously and in doing so seek the counsel of a person well informed on this subject. Insurance can not only be a protection but an investment. The Harmon Plan is recommended as well as other good insurance companies.

The above listings are only a few of the means of securities which we can all invest in. We are not financiers nor do we want to be, but we can feel the responsibility for developing a certain amount of security to use when needed. This brings to mind the problem of credit. Credit can do more to destroy security than anything else. You say that you can have things by buying them on credit that you couldn't have otherwise? Just remember that you are paying a high price for those things, while if you waited six months and saved the same amount of money that you were otherwise paying a finance company you would own something of your own. Spending money before it is earned is risky because unemployment or illness may prevent you from earning it at all. Thus a debt of this kind jeopardizes all other security with which you have provided yourself. Think this over. It's food for thought! (Anonymous)

ENROL!

Enrolment in the Nursing Service of the American Red Cross is constantly increasing. The First Reserve numbers almost 17,000. This mighty reserve army of nurses—young, vigorous, competent—is ready for service, P.R.N.!

Enrolment does not mean that a nurse gives up her job, nor does it jeopardize that job. Enrolment does not mean that the nurse subscribes to war. Enrolment does not mean that the nurse must go, willy-nilly, should a call for service come.

Enrolment means that the nurse is competent—can be relied upon to give competent nursing service—in time of emergency or disaster. It means that she is ready to serve and will do so if at the time she can be released from her job and obligations. The nurse herself decides whether to go.

Enrolment in the Nursing Service of the American Red Cross is a privilege. It provides opportunity for the finest type of service. To be effective, however, the First Reserve must be kept at a high numerical level.

This is a call to Red Cross nurses: Encourage every qualified young nurse to enrol. Wear your Red Cross pins. And whenever possible, explain what enrolment in the Nursing Service of the American Red Cross means.

—From "Professional Nursing."

AN SOS TO NURSES

Uncle Sam is sending out urgent SOS calls to competent young nurses, to take the civil service examinations which will qualify them for positions as junior graduate nurses (\$1,620 a year with deductions for subsistence and retirement annuity) under the U. S. Public Health Service, the Federal Security Agency and the U. S. Veterans' Administration.

The examination will be held open until further notice. Details concerning it may be obtained from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D.C.—From "Professional Nursing."

